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SUBSCRIBERS WANTED.

The San Francisco Stock Report wants subscribers. Here is what they said about Reno the day after the big fire:

The pretty little town of Reno, Nevada—the junction of the Central Pacific and Virginia & Truckee railroads—is in ashes. A fire broke out yesterday morning, while the wind was blowing a driving gale, and in two hours the whole town, with the exception of one or two buildings, was an ash heap—a mass of smoldering embers. The population has thus been left homeless, and in a majority of cases utterly destitute. The loss will reach over one million dollars, out of which there does not seem to be over two hundred thousand dollars insurance. Reno owed its existence to the building of the Central Pacific railway. It was for a short while the eastern terminus of the road, and before the construction of the V. & T. was the shipping point for Virginia and Carson counties. Of late years the town has rather lived on the story of past. It was the center of an agricultural region of more or less extent, and one or two manufacturers had established themselves there. We doubt if the town will be rebuilt as before. There will continue to be a settlement there, for it is the junction of two railroads, but as an important town the days of Reno are probably over.

A JACK-IN-OFFICE.

Under the above heading the Virginia Chronicle makes the following comments upon our Dogberry District Attorney's spiteful attempt to suppress news:

The District Attorney of Washoe county seems to believe that his duties include a censorship of the press. Recently a man was examined in the Justice's Court of Reno on a charge of grand larceny. The GAZETTE had no reporter present at the examination, which was public. It depended on getting a copy of the testimony as taken down by the Clerk of the Court. This the District Attorney refused to let the GAZETTE have, on the double ground that its publication would make it difficult to get a jury should the prisoner be indicted, and that there was a good deal of profanity in the testimony which it would not be well for a family journal like the GAZETTE to print. This District Attorney is an excellent type of a class of rural officials who have an extraordinary estimate of the importance of their position. A newspaper has a legal right to publish all public court proceedings, and the District Attorney has no more title to interfere with that right than the town crier has. Virginia City itself is not entirely free from such dundersuperas as the District Attorney of Washoe county seems to be.

THE ASS OPENED HIS MOUTH AND SPOKE.

The Journal has actually had an idea! It has also put the idea into print! The idea is that if it can get Washoe county to sue the GAZETTE for libeling the District Attorney it would hurt its business and bring shekels into the coffers of the Journal's proprietor. The brilliancy of that programme is worthy the mind of the brilliant editor of that paper. The desire to injure a business rival is perfectly natural to men of his character, and the means he uses are of very little consequence. It is perfectly natural for him to try to make all the newspapers in the country as dull as his own, but it would take more than one law suit to do that. Fortunately this is not Russia. It is free America and the efforts to suppress news will only react upon those who make them. The GAZETTE will stand up for its rights and the rights of its readers until both the editor of the Journal and the District Attorney are retired to the seclusion for which their talents and education so eminently fit them.

INTERNAL IMPROVEMENTS.

A press dispatch says the commissioner of agriculture has engaged the services of Breslin Walker to investigate and report upon the possibility of reclaiming the arid lands in Colorado by artesian wells and other means. We are unable to say what Mr. Walker's methods of investigation are, or how he is going to decide whether an artesian well would be successful or not. If he can make a report which will induce Congress to try the virtue of boring for a few thousand feet it will be a good year's work. Nearly everyone who knows anything about the country and considers the tremendous snowfall of the Sierra Nevada range and others farther inland, has a firm belief that powerful wells could be got almost anywhere in the great basin between the Black Hills on the east and the Pacific ocean on the west. Notwithstanding the favorable theories, however, the evidence has been almost uniformly negative. The experiments made have proven nothing. We do not know of a single flowing well of any importance between the summit of the Sierra Nevada and the Missouri. There is a well at Battle Mountain and a few in Reese River Valley, which flow enough to reclaim two or three acres of land, but they do not go through rock and have no pressure. Years ago the Union Pacific rigged up locomotive for the work and used it to bore at different places. At Point of Rocks they got the water up to within five feet of the surface and put on a pump to raise it the rest of the distance. The Central Pacific has made experiments of the same kind, one at Lovelock, and without success. An unsuccessful attempt was made last summer in Eagle Valley, near Carson City, but the result was not satisfactory. These experiments only prove that the great desert will have to wait many a year for its reclamation, unless the matter is taken up by government. If a man with 160 acres of land could reclaim it by boring 300 feet, or if he was certain he could by going down 1000 feet, he would be in position to calculate his strength, and the country would have a chance to receive some benefits from his desire for a home; but if he does not know what he can do there is little inducement. If the State of Nevada would expend a few thousand dollars somewhere under the shadow of the great range, the feasibility of reclamation would soon be settled. It seems to be a natural and praiseworthy office of government.

POWNING SHOULD SUE OR INVESTIGATE.

Under the heading of "A Spot on the Sun," the Winnemucca Silver State has the following:

The talented young Washoe statesman, who edits the Reno Journal and represented Washoe county in the State Senate last winter, says that he was one of the thirteen who were friendly to the State Board of Equalization bill, and announces his intention to vote for a similar bill at the next session of the Legislature. It is surprising that a man with such a record and with such intentions attended, through the columns of his journal, to apologize for those who voted against the Equalization and every other bill introduced in the late Legislature that was objectionable to the railroad companies. That one so truly good should be a defender of the wicked is unaccountable."

The libel suit of Senator H. A. Comins of White Pine against Hoyt, ex-publisher of the Cherry Creek Independent, was set for trial at Hamilton on Nov. 17. Many prominent public men had been summoned as witnesses, but almost all of them have been excused, and the case itself has been continued. When it does at last come to trial it is likely to be a tame affair after all.

A RAILROAD NORTH FROM RENO.

The initial number of the Susanville Mountain Review has the following sensible article in relation to the superior advantages of Reno as a terminal point for a northern railroad, and contains a merited rebuke to our morning contemporary:

An article in the Reno Journal of a recent date, speaking of a railroad from the Central Pacific to Oregon, while it advocates the claims of Reno, says that Winnemucca seems to be the most favorable point for beginning. Anyone who has a knowledge of the country between the two places and the Willamette Valley knows that a road from Winnemucca would traverse an almost worthless tract. There are no valleys of any importance, and no timber lands. A road from Reno would tap the richest country east of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Beginning at Reno it would drain Honey Lake Valley, Madeline, Big Valley, Hot Spring Valley, Fall River, Goose Lake, Surprise Valley, Chewaucan, Summer Lake, Sprague River, Lost River and Klamath; thence down Rogue River to the southern terminus of the Willamette Valley railroad, and in all would traverse a distance of less than 400 miles. It would pass along the base of the Sierra Nevada Mountains and at a distance of from ten to thirty miles reach the vast belt of timber which extends from Plumas county to the Columbia river. There are no mountain ranges to cross that would impede its construction, and an abundance of material would be found along the route for building purposes. There are no greater inducements for a railroad than for one controlling the commerce of Oregon and opening the rich country east of the Sierra Nevada and Cascade Mountains, which will never be developed until better means of transportation are secured.

POWNING AND GRANT.

The Virginia Chronicle, in its frequent comments upon the rapid rise of the Powning boom, has attributed the unexampled success of our young Washoe statesman to his fluency and personal beauty. But marked as are the senator's charms of person and of diction, they do not sufficiently account for the distinction he has attained. We have discovered what we believe to be the secret of Powning's power.

It is stated that no telegraph operator can transmit or receive a dispatch within the sound of Powning's voice. No other man has ever been known to exercise such an influence. Why is this? If the vibrations of the senator's voice can thus make electricity powerless, is it not probable that the source of his influence over men is due to an unprecedented gift of some kind of magnetism?

A man possessed of such pre-eminent qualities should be placed second to no other. Therefore instead of Powning for Vice President, we suggest that the ticket be altered to Powning for President; for Vice President U. S. Grant.

A WORD OF CAUTION.

The Virginia Chronicle, speaking of the Central Pacific Fire Insurance Company, says: "Its officers are:

J. H. Campbell, President; A. N. Atwood, Vice President; Charles R. Gale, Secretary. These gentlemen are unknown in Virginia. The name of the company is not familiar either. It would be as well for intending insurers in this city to learn something more about the Central Pacific before giving it business."

SERIOUS CHARGES.

The Chronicle and Senator Powning have got into a row about certain matters in the last session of the legislature. Finally the Chronicle accuses Mr. Powning of certain offenses which if true should cause that officer "to be broke of his office," indicted by the Grand Jury and sent to State Prison. Mr. Powning has but one course to pursue to clear his skirts—to demand an investigation, or make the Chronicle prove its accusations and insinuations before a competent court of justice.

POWNING AT A DISADVANTAGE.

"Neither the GAZETTE nor Chronicle shall willfully and maliciously publish any infamous, libelous matter without our giving them an opportunity to prove it, EITHER BEFORE A COMPETENT COURT OR AT THE MOUTH OF A SHOTGUN."

The above is from Saturday's Journal, and the capitals are our contemporary's. It is surprising to find Senator Powning stating such an alternative as this. One might suppose that the gifted young statesman would rely upon his rare powers of persuasion, and dispose of the matter for good and all in a "competent court." But could there be found a court competent to try Mr. Powning? We believe that the sternest judge in the land could not but be biased by the Senator's eloquence, his youth and beauty, and, more than all else, his marvelous magnetic power.

There remains then only the other recourse—"THE SHOTGUN." From the Senator's reference to the "mouth of a shotgun," we infer that he means a single barreled fowling piece. We have too deep a faith in the generosity of Senator Powning's disposition to suppose that he would surreptitiously discharge a load of shot into the person of the editor of the GAZETTE. No doubt the Honorable gentleman means to level his destructive fowling piece only after due warning shall have been given.

As all the firearms in the GAZETTE office are double-barreled, it is only fair to notify Senator Powning of the great disadvantage he would be under should the editor of the GAZETTE not fall at the first fire.

A DREADFUL AFFAIR.

The public at large, at least such as have never "bin to war," or otherwise been put in deadly peril, can form but a faint conception of the state of mind in which the GAZETTE editor labored Saturday. Stepping off the morning train after a few days' trip, grading lands for the Central Pacific railroad company, his mind filled with pleasant thoughts of home and breakfast, he saw a man flying to meet him with pale face, and trembling finger pointing to the ominous words—"mouth of a shotgun" in letters nearly a foot long in the morning Journal. Borrowing an umbrella to protect his manly form from the shower of shot from the big gun in the hands of "the pretty little blonde," he made his way to the home so soon to be made desolate. There he made a solemn vow never again to read the wicked papers which said "the diminutive senator ought to be tarred and feathered for his course in the legislature;" never more to listen when any one said Yerington was carrying a hundred shares of Sierra Nevada at 60 for him; never to listen when any body said his votes had anything to do with the new dress the Journal got the week after the session closed; never to listen to business men who say that he will go back on his word whenever it suits him. None of these things shall be mentioned or hinted as long as the shotgun policy lasts. The argument is so forcible and convincing, the application so neat and elegant, and the man behind the gun so famous for his military sagacity and courage that ordinary mortals might well quail before it. The man whom General Grant delighted to honor, and who delighted to honor General Grant, is not the person to allow anything like familiarity from ordinary scrub editors.

A plucky woman caught a burglar in San Francisco the other evening. She kept a lodging house, which he entered, and from which he was departing with a case of her jewelry under his arm. She seized him at the head of the stairs, down which they rolled together in the struggle, but she clung to him and he was secured.

SHOTGUNS FOR TWO.

The Carson Appeal of Friday makes the following reference to the editor of the Journal. Mrs. Michaels, who now edits the Appeal, should prepare herself to face the mouth of the SENATORIAL SHOTGUN:

"Senator Powning has already begun to outline his course in the next Legislature, and the Chronicle alludes to his utterances as specks on the sun. Mr. Powning can hardly expect the people of Washoe county to place much faith in his promises, considering how outrageously he went back on his railroad pledges made to them last fall."

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The rainy season having commenced in California, the periodical predictions concerning the rainfall are in order. The newspapers are already beginning to take sides on the weather question. When the rains come early, the reader is sure to see in some journal a log article, bristling with statistics, headed: "Early Rains not Indicative of a Dry Season." Should the rains hold off and at last come pouring down heavily, there is certain to be published a like statistical mass of matter, under the heading of: "Late Rains not an Assurance of a Wet Season."

The California papers take a great deal of pains to demonstrate that they cannot tell what the season is going to be.

Opium smoking is such a formidable vice in Carson that a determined effort is being made to break it up. The Grand Jury have indicted two Chinamen for keeping opium dens, and three young white men for opium smoking. Two of them, Thomas Coddington and Clinton Colver are in jail, and George Duffy is out on \$500 bail.

The punishment for opium smoking is a term in the penitentiary, and it is said that the evidence against the prisoners is very strong. The conviction of one or two of such offenders will go a long way towards breaking up the practice of opium smoking among white men in Carson.

The Journal's correspondent, Andromache, writing from Long Valley about the wind, says: "I would have only the gentlest of breezes, just enough to change the conformation and color of the clouds when their sameness tired, to rustle the leaves of the trees, to carry the fragrance of flowers, and for the purposes of navigation."

How much wind does it require to change the color of the clouds? and wouldn't Andromache allow just a little for the wind-mills in California?

Dr. James A. Hunter, of San Francisco, well-known as a successful specialist in catarrh, deafness, and throat and lung diseases, has promised us and several of his patients in Reno, to take a run up here on the fast train some Saturday evening and remain over Sunday. We hope he will do so. One of our most prominent citizens, who is under his care, speaks in the highest terms of the doctor's skill; and we believe he deserves the confidence of this class of invalids.

Our namesake in Ohio, the Cincinnati Gazette, has unearthed the biggest rascal of modern times. It has proved beyond a doubt that Dr. Blackburn, the Governor elect of Kentucky, is the same Blackburn who shipped clothing infected with smallpox into northern cities, and who actually tried to get a suit on President Lincoln by representing it to be a present from a friend. He now says that Beauregard ordered it done, and gave him passes, which the latter denies.

The murder trial in which I. V. Lord, a former resident of Carson and Tahoe, was one of the defendants, is exciting renewed interest in California. The Chronicle says the evidence on which Sprague and Curlee were convicted and sentenced to death was

false. Curlee was released last Monday, but Sprague is still under sentence and is out of reach of the courts. He must be pardoned or die. Governor Irwin will of course interfere.

Senator! Vice President!! President!!! This last from the GAZETTE. To tell the truth we would rather draw \$50,000 per year as President, than \$3,000 as land-grader for the Central Pacific or any other railroad company—Journal.

When the railroad company refuse to let a man peddle peanuts on the trains they are not very likely to offer him any position of trust or honor.

The first number of the Mountain Review, a new weekly paper published at Susanville, has made its appearance. Albert L. Shinn is the proprietor and editor. The Review makes a fine appearance, is well edited and full of local news, and we hope it may receive the liberal support it merits.

In one week in October seven persons were killed and thirty-four persons injured by being run over in the streets of London. One person was killed by a van, two by carts, two by cabs, two by omnibuses, and five by bicycles.

The eastern railroads are crowded with freight. The traffic over the Erie road was so great one day recently that there were sixty miles of heavily laden eastern bound freight cars in motion at one time.

The great and growing power of the press finds a most striking illustration in the fact that the Pope has established a daily newspaper as a pontifical organ."

Sam Davis says that Conlon, a Virginia City reporter, asked General Grant "if he intended to run for a fourth term in case he was happy with a third."

The official returns from the Minnesota election give the Republicans 20,000 majority on the State ticket.

The Comins-Hoyt libel suit has been continued until the April term of the district court in White Pine.

The Supreme Court has sustained the drummer license law.

Holidays in 1880 on Sunday—Washington's Birthday, Decoration Day, July 4, and Christmas.

The Mile in 2:15 1/2.

From the New York Sun, Nov. 8. A good deal, for St. Julian—a good deal for any horse, in itself considered—not much as compared with the performance of two of Mr. Bonner's horses, Rarus and Edwin Forest.

It is a little discouraging to California to know that, accepting its own tracks and timing to be correct, yet Mr. Bonner has two horses that have trotted faster than St. Julian.

California, usually is ahead on pears. Mr. Bonner has the pair this time. We hope some man already born will live long enough to see St. Julian come East and trot a mile—not in 2:12 1/2, but as Rarus has done, in 2:11 1/2.

Come on, California, and equal either of Mr. Bonner's two best, and then, but not before, do your boasting.

Match BILLIARD PLAYING IN NEW YORK.

A New York dispatch says: The ninth game of the billiard tournament was played last night. Rudolph beat Heisler, scoring 300 to 204. The winner's average was 15 15-19. The highest run of Rudolph was 61 and that of Heisler 56. The next game was between Carter and Daly. Daly winning by a score of 300 to 60. The winner's average was 18 1/2. Daly scored 52 as the highest run and Carter 16. Slosson and Garnier played the next game, the former winning easily by a score of 300 to 68. The winner's average was 23 1-13. The highest runs; Slosson, 107; Garnier, 35.

Twenty miles of the Nevada Central railroad are in operation and twenty-six miles of the track are laid.

STATE TAXATION.

The Eureka *Leader*, of which W. W. Hobart, ex-State Controller, is editor, has published a carefully prepared article on the finances of Nevada. It appears that the total State funds on hand at the beginning of the present year were \$665,966. Of this sum a large portion has been taken up in redeeming outstanding state bonds, but the remainder will probably be amply sufficient to pay the expenses of the government for the coming year, and to leave a surplus sufficient for the expenses of the Legislature in 1881.

The present rate of state taxation is fifty-five cents on the \$100. The *Leader* believes that, unless the taxable products of the mines are largely increased beyond the present production, an increase in the rate of taxation to seventy-five cents will be found necessary. On the basis of the present taxable property, say \$40,000,000, the revenue from a tax of seventy-five cents would amount to \$300,000.

The expenses of the state government for two years are: Executive \$500,000; Legislature, \$100,000; interest, \$40,000; and miscellaneous expenses about \$30,000; making a total of \$870,000, or \$335,000 per year.

The amount of taxable property considered, there is no state in the Union whose rate of taxation is so low as Nevada's. Nevada, with only forty millions of taxable property, has a lower rate of taxation than California with her six hundred millions.

The Eureka *Leader* and the *Silver State* both recommend that the sessions of the Legislature should be held only once in four years instead of once every two years as at present. The change from biennial to quadrennial sessions would effect a saving of at least \$25,000 a year. The suggestion seems good, but it would take from four to six years to so amend the constitution. And in the course of the next six years the wealth of the state may so much increase that it would not be found necessary to cut down the expenses. And long delays in obtaining needed legislation might more than outweigh the saving that would result from the proposed change.

A CALL FOR COFFINS.

The frightful ravages of pneumonia in Bodie have been kept secret as much as possible, but the truth has at length leaked out. The Bodie papers even went so far as to omit the customary notices of death, in order that the true sanitary condition of the place might not be known on the outside. But now attempts at concealment would no longer be of any use, as the facts have been published. The Mammoth City *Times* states that a Catholic priest in Bodie was sent for to attend a dying man in Mammoth, but he answered that he could not leave the dying at his own door, his time both day and night being taken up at the bedside of pneumonia patients. He said that within four weeks he had seen over thirty persons die of the disease. The Mammoth *Times* believes that more than one hundred deaths from pneumonia occurred in Bodie during the past month.

Friday's *Enterprise* contained a letter from a correspondent in Bodie, under date of the thirteenth instant, stating that at the time of writing there were twelve corpses in the place. Four of the bodies were of poor men, and the city and county authorities had refused to bury them. The writer continues: "For God's sake send a few extra boxes. I expect to see these men rolled in blankets and dumped in some old shaft soon. Our papers do not chronicle one-half the deaths here. The deaths appear to be all in the middle and lower parts of town. When Mr. Daily said that there were five deaths per day he was as near right as any newspaper has reported from here. I am an old Comstock miner, and I have never seen old Virginia refuse any one a decent burial."

Bodie is certainly in great trouble. While all must sympathize with the Bodie people in their danger and distress, it is useless to try to make light of the perils of residence there at this season of the year. Enough men will be attracted by the love of money to keep up the population of the place. But those who go should be warned of the risk they run. There are many idle men in Bodie now, and a check on the stream of immigration would really be a benefit to the present population.

THE CITIZENS DUTY.

The terrible accident (for so it might reasonably be called) of Sunday night is the outgrowth of the system of vagrancy in which a large proportion of the floating population is found. The unhappy lady, before whose pistol Mr. Oakes fell, doubtless believed him to be of the same kind, if not of the same gang, that has committed so many burglaries and robberies of late, and of whom she probably had the morbid and exaggerated fear so common in women. If she had been accustomed, as all women should be, to the use of the pistol, sufficient at least to defend their lives or honor, she would have waited until the man broke in the door or made some hostile demonstration; but she was nearly as much afraid of the pistol as she was of the man, and between the two she was nearly beside herself.

The great need of the strict enforcement of the law against vagrancy, is made very sympathetic by this event. There should be a constant watch kept for such men as have no means of support and they should be put at work by the county. This is not in the line of the duty for the officers of the town alone. District Attorney Bowman stands ready to prosecute any such cases as there is evidence against; but he cannot make the evidence. Some one must stand up to the rack and swear to the facts, and until the citizens do their share the officers can do but little. The citizens of Reno owe it to their wives and daughters to protect them from the danger of attacks from desperadoes, and it is a shame that a woman should be afraid to walk the streets alone after dark.

A GENEROUS MAN.

R. S. Lacey writes to the *Gazette* from Washington, D. C.

TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Sir:—We beg to submit the proposition to furnish you a weekly letter in exchange for the insertion of our "ads," as per copy enclosed. We will endeavor to give you, at all times an able "Special Correspondence, without outlay of money to you, covering the pith of Congressional proceedings and matters of public interest pertaining to social and political affairs at the national capital. There is every promise that the approaching session of Congress will be an intensely interesting and important one, and we will put its doing in attractive form for your columns. If our proposition is accepted, please fill up the enclosed blank, and mail us weekly a copy of your paper for our files. The same letter will not be sent to any other paper circulating in your vicinity.

The "ads," will make about a half a column, for which Mr. Lacey offers us such a lot of trash as we would not give a place in our columns, even if it did not appear in fifty other papers simultaneously. We respectfully decline. We have plenty of better matter.

IF THEY WOULD.

The *Silver State*—If the people who divest themselves of party prejudices during the ensuing session of Congress, and make up their minds to support the men who advocate measures that are calculated to restore peace, prosperity and harmony to the whole Union, ultra-partizans might learn something, and devote to necessary legislation the time which they now expend in making buncome speeches on dead issues."

If they would, but of course they won't. They will be led by the nose by scrubby politicians who have fish to fry, and buncome editors who would fix them for fish. They will go wild in their fight for men who don't care a straw for them or their welfare, and pour out money to win for their side, regardless of right or the public good.

THE NEXT PRESIDENT A REPUBLICAN.

The outlook for the Republican party is bright. It looks so, indeed, when the New York *Sun*, a Democratic journal, and one of the great newspapers of the world, makes such admissions as the following:

"In politics, as in war, the true policy is to justly estimate the contending forces and to see things as they actually exist. The elections which have just taken place in several States show conclusively such an augmentation of Republican strength as to render it together probable that the Republicans will be able to elect their candidate for President next year."

Of the voters of San Francisco 23,996 are foreign born, and 20,769 natives of the United States. Ireland contributes 10,467; Germany, 6,704 and England, 1,751. The largest number of the native born are from New York, 5,301.

AN IMPORTANT CONSULTATION.

Dispatches from San Francisco say: General Freight Agent Vining, of the Union Pacific Railway, arrived in this city Tuesday, and has since been in conference with Mr. Stubbs, General Freight Agent of the Central Pacific Railway. A revision or modification of the freight tariffs is in contemplation and exchange of views is likely to lead to important changes in rates of freights from New York to San Francisco. After looking the field over and receiving the opinions of the merchants, the question of renewing the contracts will be advanced.

It is a pity that Nevada is not represented in the conference by some intelligent gentleman. A change in the custom of charging California prices and local rates back would cause this section to spring forward with new life, and it might be done if the matter was properly represented to the companies. Most men think the tariff of railroad companies are instruments of torture applied with supernatural skill. They think the officers can foresee all the little ins and outs of a country, and tell beforehand just how the rates will work. That is a mistake, the officers are always ready to listen and learn.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

President Hayes and his administration is the subject of considerable comment just now, and the general expression is favorable. The Richmond, Va., *State* says:

"President Hayes has made a good President throughout, and has done more than appears upon the surface to restore the country to the old methods and revive among us the feeling of a common nationality. His course, it appears to us, has been steadily in this direction from the first, and the only cause of regret with us now is that the time is too short to complete the work. It is a broad-breasted, liberal man like him that the country most needs now."

All women and some men love flat-terry, that is to say appreciation. We confess to a feeling of pleasure at seeing our efforts to make a good paper for Reno recognized both at home and abroad. Among several pleasant notices we clip this from the *Bulletin*:

The Reno *Gazette* has donned a new dress. The *Gazette* is one of the brightest and most newsy of our Nevada exchanges.

And this from the Eureka *Sentinel*:

The Reno *Gazette* appears in a brand new suit, and has added many improvements to its office. The *Gazette* is among the best local papers in the state, and we are pleased to record this evidence of its prosperity.

The audiophone is a newly invented instrument which enables the deaf to hear through their teeth. A lady whose husband had been for years as deaf as a post, heard of the invention and bought one of the instruments. Her husband tried it, and, to her great delight, he could hear through it quite well. But she talked to him through it so much the first twenty-four hours after the purchase that the poor man fainted from exhaustion and want of sleep. When he recovered he went out and had all his teeth extracted. He is now hopelessly and happily deaf.

Nast fills four pages of the latest weekly with pictures which could not be improved. They are exceedingly funny. The first is poor old widow Butler, whom he dubs "Eve," mourning the loss of Adam (Charles Francis). The big drops chase each other down his nose. On the last page John Kelly is shown smashing Tilden's barrel into its original staves. But Sammy says "I wasn't in that. It was Pelton," and by a jugglers trick a brand new barrel marked 1880 appears in the corner. Conkling gets a rub and so do the roughs.

The Bodie *Free Press* has enlarged, is full of news and a bright and newsworthy journal.

Another strike reported in Sierra Nevada. Get out quick.

GUILTY AS CHARGED.

That Bright's disease, Diabetes, Pain in the back and loins, Smarting, Inflammation, Calculi, Brickdust deposit, or any trouble of the Kidneys or Bladder, is cured by the use of DR. MINTLE'S NEPHRITICUM, the great Buchu Compound. It is the most wonderful prescription ever compounded for these troubles. Messrs. Abrams & Carroll, wholesale druggists, say: "We regard Nephriticum as the best Kidney and Bladder Remedy in the market." Woodward, druggist, Portland, Oregon, says: "Everybody speaks highly of it." Childs, druggist, Portland, Oregon, says: "Sold lots of it; it always does the work." Many have been cured of obstinate kidney complaints after the doctors have given them up. For sale by Osburn & Shoemaker. Price \$1.25.

BODIE LIFE IN TEXAS.

From the *Courier-Journal*.

At Paris, Texas, Wm. Pitts went to a festival of colored people. Walking into the middle of the hall, and in the midst of the crowd, he pulled his pistol and fired it off, the bullet going through the roof. Another quiet looking white man walked up and said: "You ought not to act that way." Pitts replied: "Take it back, or G-d-n you, I will kill you." "I don't take it back," replied the stranger. The yahoo then fired, hitting him in the right shoulder. The stranger then drew a sharp bowie knife and made for Pitts. The women shrieked, and negroes seized the stranger; but he broke loose, and, getting at Pitts, slashed him across the throat and both cheeks in two besides cutting him in the abdomen. Pitts is reported dying.

We thank the Knights of Pythias of Truckee, for an "invite" to their

grand uniform ball on Thanksgiving eve. We are compelled to uniformly decline going to balls in uniform, as we are none of us "Knights." The fireman's ball at Reno is also offered as an excuse. Hope the boys and girls will have a good time.

The *Independent-Republican* of Gibson, Pa., speaks of a Nevada boy thus:

Francis Payne, from Nevada, is visiting in this section of country. He came by way of Niagara Falls. He called at Binghamton and made his mother a visit, and is now in Gibson. He left Gibson in 1869. He is very much pleased with his adopted home.

The San Francisco doctor who bet that he could eat a quail and a pigeon every day for thirty consecutive days, has won his wager. There are plenty of men on this side of the mountains who are perfectly willing to bet that they can do the same thing, if the birds are paid for.

It is generally believed that Mr. Mackay, at least, and probably Mr. Fair wants to get out of the Comstock, and leave the state. Mr. Mackay says there is not money enough in California to handle the mines. If a bonanza is opened in the north end the stocks will be taken to New York.

Referring to the *Sentinel's* nomination for senator, the *Enterprise* says:

"There is not an office in the gift of the people of Nevada, nor any other State, nor all the States combined, which Mr. Mackay would accept if it were tendered him by acclamation."

The *Paradise Reporter* credits the description of Alkali Lake to the *Enterprise*. The *Reville* gives the *Chronicle* the bridal party and potato story. Both originated in the Gazette.

Great excitement exists in Maine, owing to rumors that the governor and Democratic state officers intend to throw out the Republican votes and give certificates to Democrats.

The New York papers are full of "Grant's support in the South." It is thought that the South would go solid for him, in order to break up sectionalism.

The *Record-Union* will issue its usual holiday edition, containing statistics and the usual annual review of Sacramento life and business.

Ex-Senator Neff is mentioned for a position as State Prison Commissioner for California. A better man there is not in the state.

The Nevada *Tri-Weekly Herald* has entered upon its fourth volume, and maintains its reputation as a good local paper.

Bribery is charged against a New York merchant and an employee of the Custom House.

The weather being unfavorable, St. Julien did not trot at Oakland last Saturday.

The Bodie *Free Press* has enlarged, is full of news and a bright and newsworthy journal.

Another strike reported in Sierra Nevada. Get out quick.

GUILTY AS CHARGED.

That Bright's disease, Diabetes, Pain in the back and loins, Smarting, Inflammation, Calculi, Brickdust deposit, or any trouble of the Kidneys or Bladder, is cured by the use of DR. MINTLE'S NEPHRITICUM, the great Buchu Compound. It is the most wonderful prescription ever compounded for these troubles. Messrs. Abrams & Carroll, wholesale druggists, say: "We regard Nephriticum as the best Kidney and Bladder Remedy in the market."

Woodward, druggist, Portland, Oregon, says: "Everybody speaks highly of it." Childs, druggist, Portland, Oregon, says: "Sold lots of it; it always does the work." Many have been cured of obstinate kidney complaints after the doctors have given them up. For sale by Osburn & Shoemaker. Price \$1.25.

BODIE LIFE IN TEXAS.

From the *Courier-Journal*.

At Paris, Texas, Wm. Pitts went to a festival of colored people. Walking into the middle of the hall, and in the midst of the crowd, he pulled his pistol and fired it off, the bullet going through the roof. Another quiet looking white man walked up and said: "You ought not to act that way." Pitts replied: "Take it back, or G-d-n you, I will kill you." "I don't take it back," replied the stranger. The yahoo then fired, hitting him in the right shoulder. The stranger then drew a sharp bowie knife and made for Pitts. The women shrieked, and negroes seized the stranger; but he broke loose, and, getting at Pitts, slashed him across the throat and both cheeks in two besides cutting him in the abdomen. Pitts is reported dying.

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From the *Courier-Journal*.

It is said that a man attempted in San Francisco last week to procure a life-insurance policy for a large amount, but it leaked out that he intended to defraud the company by going to die in Bodie for the benefit of his family. The negotiation abruptly came to an end, and a criminal prosecution was immediately commenced against him.

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NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

There never was such a drought as the present one in Texas since it became a State.

From Oct. 26, 1867, to Sept. 30, 1879, the church property sold by auction in Italy yielded one hundred and nine millions of dollars.

A pew for sale, commanding a beautiful view of nearly the whole congregation, is the wording of an advertisement in a Rochester paper.

A Chicago opera audience was kept waiting nearly an hour because *Faust's* red tights had not arrived, and he wouldn't go contrary to usage by wearing blue ones.

Missionary Chamberlain of India writes that a Hindu fraud is in the United States collecting money, ostensibly for missionary purposes.

Eastern Siberia has been suffering from a famine, no whales or other fish have visited those waters this summer. At Injin Point, all but one man out of two hundred inhabitants perished.

Six hundred Bulgarian orphans, who lost their parents by the last Turk-Russian war, were taken to Russia, where they were instructed gratuitously at the expense of the government.

St. Mark's Episcopal church in Islip, L. I., is undergoing repairs, having been bought by a Roman Catholic society. It has been discovered that \$200 put into the corner stone on the 4th of July, 1847, has been stolen.

The merchants of St. Louis have organized a movement for the erection of a permanent exposition building like those of Chicago, Louisville and Cincinnati. It is intended to finish it for next Fall.

The preliminary examination of John Church for the cutting of W. R. Carrigan, came up in Virginia Thursday. He was held over to appear before the grand jury, with bail fixed at \$4,000.

It is said that Lord Rosebury won about \$100,000 in the fourth week of October, on the turf, and Sir Beaumont \$20,000. A young guards-man scored \$10,000 on La Merville, and lost it the same evening on ecarte.

The Earl of Aberdeen has a distinction unique among earls—he is the sole owner of a railway, the entire cost of which came out of his own pocket. It is ten miles in length, runs chiefly on his own property, and costs \$275,000.

A certain amount of salary is safe against creditors to a married man in Florida. In order to take advantage of this law, a St. John's River steamboat captain hastily married a woman to whom he had previously been a stranger.

Lulu the admirable acrobat, who originally came before the world some years ago as a girl, is now playing under the same manager, Farini, at the Westminster Aquarium, London, as a man and with great success. He has a beautiful figure and rather effeminate features.

Although the Maoris in New Zealand are for the most part peaceable subjects of Queen Victoria, in many cases wealthy, and filling places of trust, they are reported to be decreasing in numbers; the deaths exceed the births. This is ascribed to the change in their mode

THE DREADED SCOURGE.

The Habits and Instincts of the Rocky Mountain Locust.

A Very Interesting Chapter in Natural History Concerning the Grasshopper.
Written for the "Record-Union" by J.G. Lammon.

Very interesting is the natural history of the Rocky Mountain locust. If it were not the horrid-looking and dreadfully destructive it is, its habits and instincts, fully narrated, would be as enchanting as a romance. Their life is spanned by a few summer months, never living over the winter. Having a permanent locality where more or less it can mix, found every year, favor and conditions allow them to occasionally become numerous—too numerous for the commissioners. For says they assemble in vast herds. All is stir and eager preparation. Frequently they rise, circle round and round, rising perhaps until out of sight, then suddenly dropping like pinheads to the ground. The direction of the upper currents were unpredictable. When the wind favors their plans, they embark upon it for days together, sometimes alighting at night, but as often continuing night and day in an air line, always in the direction of clearest food, though it may be hundreds or a thousand miles away. Often they ascend so high as to be invisible, and this accounts for their unsuccesses sometimes in distant lands. Swarms have been noted as flying in different directions and even in opposite directions, scurrying along on different strata of air.

THEIR FLIGHT.

may be likened to a snow storm extending far on the ground to a height at which our visual organs perceive them only a faint-startling scintillations. "When on the highest peak of the snowy range, 14,000 to 15,000 feet above the sea," writes Mr. W. M. Byers, "I have seen them as much higher as could be distinguished by a good field glass." If they meet with adverse winds, they instantly fold their wings and fall to the ground and lie in heaps until favorable winds allow them to proceed. If the favoring breeze carries around a few points across their course they task too, and move sideways; when the favoring wind becomes a gale they turn head toward it, using their wings vigorously, and so are carried along at a much less rate than that of the gale. Does the sailor on the great deep display greater skill in navigation! Arrived at the chosen fields they come to a halt, and trouble begins. They convert a cornfield in a few hours into a stretch of bare, spindling stalks. Covering each hill by hundreds, scrambling from row to row like a lot of hungry pigs, their sharp jaws gnashing with the noise of a thousand shears, they devour the crop quicker than could a herd of hungry steers. After supper comes a rest with most animals. Not so with locusts. Where they eat, there at once the sexes unite and the female hurried off to find a suitable place for

DEPOSITING HER EGGS.

The sexual habits and the description of egg-laying, the hatching, molting and travels of the young, will be considered in another paragraph. As stated, egg-laying always takes place where invading swarms feed. The next spring the young are hatched and are born hungry. Often so thick as to blacken the ground, they move like sea waves over the meadows, devouring every green thing, eating the roots of grasses closer than did their predecessors; only stopping in the coldest hours of night, and also once in about eight days, to hang them, give up by the hind legs, fold their other legs and antennae and look very innocent and helpless for a few hours. But this is preparatory to the mysterious process of molting, or shedding their skins, from which they emerge twice as large and hungrier than before. Six times the molting is repeated before wings are fully developed. By this time the gregarious character is fully established, and the strangest of men's begins.

RETURNING SWARMS.

No profligate son ever strove harder to return to his father's house than do these emigrants, born in distant lands but with an instinctive knowledge that causes them as soon as able to fill their crops, assemble together, quit the country without laying eggs and hasten back as their parents came, to the home of their forefathers. These returning swarms are quite different from invaders. The latter are always larger, brighter-colored, robust and more looking brigands. These emigrants are smaller, weak-constituted, and always more or less infested with parasites. These are grubs with mouth without several sorts, that, as they feed upon their hosts, reduce their strength greatly and eventually kill. It may be this attack from parasites that drives the locust back home, but the phenomenon is one of the strangest in nature.

FIGHTING THE SCOURGE.

As the western settlements encroach more upon the great plains the damage by locust invasions is relatively increased. During the four years from 1873 to 1877 the loss is estimated at the enormous sum of \$200,000,000, mainly sustained by an industrious farming population. The governments of the afflicted States and Territories have enacted expensive legislation to

combat the pest, by giving \$1 to 50 cents per bushel for locusts collected and destroyed, and 50 cents per gallon for eggs. Coal oil, Paris green, caustic, potash and other poisons are provided cheaply and liberally used. By law it is made obligatory upon all able-bodied citizens to labor a certain number of days in the season in defense of the crops. Twenty-two kinds of machines, more or less elaborate, are described and figured in the last report of the Locust Commission. Extensive systems of irrigation are instituted, cooperative action arranged for protecting the prairie grass being burned in the fall, then setting it on fire in early spring to kill the young and wingless locust. Fumigation by burning damp straw along the borders of growing crops is practiced, and effectually wards off invaders. The aid of the military and Indians is invoked to assist in digging trenches for trapping the young where feasible, and a signal corps of observation is suggested to note the movements of swarms and warn threatened localities. In view of the immense damage stated, the economy of these last measures is apparent.

A HUNDRED YEARS AGO.

New Castle (Eng.) Chronicle.

THE AMERICAN WAR.—The Chronicle of June 20th has the following extract of a letter from New York:—"Washington, the Congress, and all the rebel governors have rejected the terms held forth in the new Acts of Parliament, and will not treat but as independent States. The rebels grow saucier daily and make a joke of Lord North. They say the King cannot send more, and of course will leave them the country to themselves."

Another paragraph says that the Commissioners sent to America were paid a thousand pounds per month. In spite of the State of the Exchequer, the Ministry was evidently of a squandering disposition. The English army in America was in a "parlous state." We read:—

"The last accounts of the army under Sir William Howe make about 4000 British troops sick, and above as many more prisoners. The sick foreign troops were above 1800, and above 2000 more of them prisoners."

AN ENORMOUS HEAD-DRESS.—At no period have ladies' head-dresses attained such enormous proportions as they did a century ago. The following story is told by the Chronicle:—

"The other day a little lady with an enormous high head, passing through Tavistock street, a droll fellow of a journeyman carpenter took out his rule, and gently following the lady, measured her height from the top of her cap to her heel, and found that the cap measured exactly one-third of the whole."

A Good Deed Well Rewarded.

It is not every day that an angel is entertained unawares in a gaming saloon. Twenty-three years ago a man named Todd while playing cards in a gambling saloon in Centralia, Ill., was accosted by a young Frenchman from New Orleans, who had lost all of his money and had no friends. Todd lent the stranger \$500. The Frenchman returned to the table, won a good sum of money and repaid his benefactor. Years rolled on, and Todd lost all his money. One day last week he received a letter from a woman in Kansas City, Mo., stating that while passing through that State on the train she met the wife of the man to whom he lent the \$500; that she had recently returned from Paris where she had gone with her husband to get a very large estate left him by a rich uncle; that while in Paris her husband had died, and in his will had left \$50,000 to D. F. Todd, the man who had almost befriended him when he was almost in the act of taking his own life.

Progress in Nevada.

From the Carson Appeal.

In 1878 the real and personal property taxed in the State of Nevada was valued at \$28,246,010.39. This year the estimate is \$28,786,047.27, an increase of \$540,037.88. The figures speak well for the general prosperity of the State, and show that while some localities have fallen off in business and productions, others have sprung up whose prosperity has more than balanced the decline. In 1878 the tax was 90 cents on the \$100, and the amount paid to the state was \$252,433.95. Owing to a surplus of funds accumulated in the treasury, the rate was reduced to 55 cents on the \$100, and the returns this year show \$154,432.50.

A Strange Piece of News.

The strangest news coming to us from Germany—even stranger than the effeminate Vienna—should welcome the man who conquers them at Konigratz—is that a learned doctor has discovered a means of dyeing human eyes any color he likes, not only without injury to the delicate orb, but, as he asserts, with positive advantage to the power of sight. He cannot only give fair ladies' eyes black as night or blue as orient skies by day, but he can turn them out in hues of silver or gold. He says golden eyes are extremely becoming. Nothing goes down without a grand name; therefore the German doctor calls his discovery "Ocular Transmutation." He declares himself quite ready to guarantee success and harmlessness in the operation.

SAID TO BE THE LA EST.

The New Dodge Adopted by the New York Pickpockets.

From the New York Sun.

At Broadway and Duane street, on Saturday, the butt of a cigar lay on the sidewalk, and a thread of purple smoke went up from its ashes. A well-dressed man, wearing a silk hat that showed evidence of recent hard usage, was eyeing the half-consumed cigar, and was evidently making up his mind to recover it. He had every appearance of a drunken man. Keeping his eye on the stub, he straightened himself up, pulled his tall hat down over his eyes and stooped to reach the cigar, smiling complacently as he extended his hand toward the butt. In the meantime many persons had halted, and when the wind caused the cigar to roll away just as he was putting his fingers on it the knot of observers laughed. The man again straightened up and he frowned indignant on those who were around him. He looked at the staff on the Western Union building, and up and down Broadway, as though in doubt whether he would again attempt to recover the cigar. Then he pulled his hat over his eyes once more, and renewed his effort. He fell on his knees, pitched over on his face, arose to his knees again, and poised his hand over the coveted butt. The knot of observers had been increased tenfold, and bets were made that the cigar would again elude him.

Suddenly the interest of the throng turned in another direction. A man shouted, "Stop thief! I've lost my watch!" and a woman cried out that her pocketbook was missing. About this time the man who had been an object of so much interest, was also missing.

"Go on, go on," said a policeman to the crowd; "that's the latest trick."

The Moffet Bell Punch.

The liquor register, otherwise known as the Moffet bell punch, has gone into effect in Texas, much to the disgust of the dealers in alcoholic beverages. The dealers have resolved to test the constitutionality of the law in the courts, but they have, nevertheless, taken advantage of it, both to raise the price of drinks and to refuse credit for them. The prohibitory sentiment, which is very strong in parts of Texas, favors the register, as tending to lessen the consumption of intoxicating liquors.

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The Weekly GAZETTE, and the Mountain Review a fine weekly published at Susanville, Lassen County, Cal., will be sent for four dollars per year.

STATE AND COAST NEWS.

One half the State of California is unsurveyed.

Gov. Irwin names the 27th as Thanksgiving Day.

W. H. H. Lee, formerly of Nevada, died in Sacramento on Monday.

The Eureka papers issue supplements with Christmas ads.

J. W. Scott has opened a dancing school at Eureka.

Drunken men in Eureka shoot at darkey's feet. Poor shooting.

Coll Deane lectures in San Francisco to-morrow night on the Three Bonanzas.

H. Townsend, of Alameda, has invented an easy chair for sleeping cars. The berth is made up out of it.

The Carson Au Fait Club give their first party on the 28th. The old officers were re-elected.

The Revere predicted fine weather in the middle of the storm. Now it takes a back.

Two of John Guthrie's rams got to butting and kept it up until one of great value was killed.

Cattle are dying in Pleasant valley from starvation. Grasshoppers and drought have ruined the feed.

Mark Kemp of Eureka, sold 1,000 feet of the Sunbeam mining claim on Prospect Mountain at private sale to a San Francisco company. The purchase was made Saturday last.

Chinamen digging tunnel on the Santa Cruz railroad through sand stone full of petroleum. While changing shifts on Monday evening the accumulated gas exploded, killing 35. The Chinamen went, as it were.

The Ohio mine, at Rebel creek, is bonded to San Francisco men. The price agreed upon is \$75,000, which is to be paid in seven days from this date. It is the intention of the purchasers to build a mill on the property immediately, as there is ore enough in sight to run it.—Silver States.

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CONCERNING TRAMPS.

A Tramp's Idea of a Free Car For Tramps—Various Kinds of Tramps—How They Ride Free Over the Railroads—Expedients of Travel, Etc.

"The railroad company ought to have a special car for tramps on every train. Then the conductors and brakemen would not have to spend half their time looking after tramps. You see there is bound to be just about so many people going over the road in a year. They will all go in some way or other, and it would be cheaper for the railroad companies just to have a plain tramp car attached to every train. There wouldn't be so many accidents on the road, and the wood piles and snow sheds would be safer." This

NOVEL VIEW OF TRAMP TRANSPORTATION

was given to a GAZETTE reporter the other day by an intelligent tramp. He is a printer by trade, and his name is Armstrong. He left his home in Tennessee three years ago, and has been a wanderer ever since. He never stays more than a few weeks in any one place, when the demon of unrest forces him to move on. If he earns a dollar it is at once gambled away. Thus he is always penniless, commonly ragged and generally dirty. He will sit for hours and tell of his experiences on the road and of the ways of tramps. "Much," he says, "of what has been published about them is untrue." For instance,

THEY DON'T MAKE MARKS ON HOUSES, or gates to indicate to the next one of their fraternity, the kind of reception that may be expected from the inmates. The story is all nonsense. But go down and look underneath the V. & T. bridge. You will find the timbers carved with the initials of wandering tramps. Some of the letters are cut with a finish and accuracy that would do no discredit to a gravestone. You will see Boston Charlie's name there. He is one of the most gentlemanly looking tramps you ever saw. Always dresses well, and when in town he wears a high linen collar. Some of

THE NAMES CARVED UNDER THE BRIDGE.

are known to nearly every tramp in the United States. There are no signs or ways of recognizing members of the fraternity known among tramps, but they can always tell whether a man is a professional tramp or not by his talk. There is a great difference among tramps. The fellows that carry blankets strapped to their backs are seldom professionals. The true tramp scorns baggage of any kind. Conductors and brakemen can't bear these fellows that carry blankets. They are called

BLANKET-STIFFS

on the road. Those fellows seldom know enough to ride a beam but will squat right down on the front platform or the roof of a car, and get put off at the first station. When a crowd of tramps get together they are pretty bold. I was once with eight others out on the desert near Ogden. We boarded a freight, and all sat up on the roof of a box car. There were two or three revolvers in the crowd, and the boys wouldn't stand any nonsense. Pretty soon the conductor came along and said, "Well boys, where are you bound this trip?" "None of your business," was his answer. And he went right along and hadn't a word to say."

HOW TRAMPS RIDE.

Tramps commonly ride on the brake beams in going short distances. Most any tramp can get on any freight train going at full speed, which is only about ten or fifteen miles an hour. They grab the iron rod near the door of a box car and swing one foot on the end of the nearest brake beam. If they catch the rod and get one foot on the beam, it is very easy to swing in under the car. Stretched out on the beam and holding on to the rods that support it, is easy enough to travel. Of course if the car jumps the track, or the beam breaks, you're a dead man. One of the most popular ways of traveling is

RIDING THE ROD.

Under the truck of all passenger cars and midway between the wheels, an iron rod crosses horizontally, about on a level with the axles. To ride the rod, you get a piece of board about two feet long and resting it on the rod, you have a fine seat. You lean back, hold on to the truck over head, and your feet rest on the brake beam and keep you from tumbling over backwards. It's a fine way to ride, but you can only get on the train that way if it is standing still in the station. Once on the rod the tramp is

SAFES FROM OBSERVATION.

It is almost impossible for you to see him unless you look before the train starts. A good way to ride is to get into the tool chest under the carboose. It has a door that opens under the car, and that is often left unfastened. Four or five tramps often get in there together. A common way of stealing a ride, especially for long distances, is to get "sprung into

a box car. It is a very easy thing to spring a car door open, and there is almost always some one around that will spring you in. They take a "fish plate" and pry the lower edge of the door off the bar which holds it in place. Then it is easy enough to spring out the corner far enough to let a man get in. You take a "fish plate" in with you and pry yourself out at any place you please. Or, if you have no "fish plate," you make a noise and they will let you out, kick you, maybe. Sometimes two or three tramps get into a car together, take a supply of water and plenty to eat and ride along for days, as far as they want to go. How about the tin SNAILS ON THE CARS?

Well, some tramps can pick them open with a knife and fasten them in again, but it takes time. As a general thing the brakemen will let a man ride in a box car for a little coin. They tell you to keep out of the way of the conductor and it will be all right. As a general thing the train men treat a decent, quiet tramp pretty well. I have often had engineers and firemen take me in to dinner with them and punch their tickets for me after I had been breaking coal for a ride.

MODOC COUNTY ITEMS.

From the Alturas Independent.

From a mine near Adin, a Mr. McLean has taken out three tons of decomposed quartz, which milled \$4,000.

R. F. McConaughy uses 2,000 acres of government land in Grant county, Oregon, for grazing. Recently he, with five of his men, all armed with carbines, drove back a party of six men from Fort Bidwell, who were about to preempt the land.

First four-year-old—"My little brother nearly died with pneumonia the other day."

Second ditto—"Pshaw, that's nothing compared to the old mosia. I had that!"

The slang phrase of Lake City is, "Hook up your trace."

The Adin Flouring Mill is running night and day.

A hand of over 200 hogs is about to start from Cedarville for Reno. They are the property of Jesse Hironymous. Farmers in the vicinity of Adin have all been busy plowing since the late rains. More plowing is being done at the present time than has ever been known in that vicinity.

It is rumored that Irwin Ayers, of Fort Bidwell, has purchased a fine race horse in San Francisco. The price paid was \$2,000.

The race horse Pill Box, who was in training at Bidwell for the coming race, stepped into a badger hole and broke his leg. An effort is being made to save the animal.

Water Five Cents a Gallon.

EDITOR GAZETTE.—Rhodes and Watson of Bellville are again solvent and their works are running in shape.

Water in Bellville and Candelaria is 5 cents a gallon. Snow storms and cold snaps are of daily occurrence in Southern Nevada.

W. J. Bellville, Esmeralda Co., Nev., Nov. 9th, 1879.

Matters in the North.

Mr. Shortell, one of the leading citizens of Surprise Valley, informed a GAZETTE reporter Wednesday, that the northern country is enjoying unusual prosperity. Times are good and money plenty. There are a dozen big teams on the road loaded with supplies for Cedarville, Fort Bidwell, etc. The settlers anticipate a mild winter.

Native Bluestone.

T. V. Julian lately made a visit to Esmeralda County and returned with some beautiful specimens of native bluestone taken from a mine about ten miles from Greenfield. There is said to be only one other mine in the United States in which native blue-stone is found.

A Brakeman Killed.

Wednesday afternoon a brakeman named H. E. Greer, on a special west-bound freight train, was killed near Bronco. He stood between the two engines to uncouple the forward one, and somehow fell between the two, when the after engine ran over him, killing him instantly.

Short Horns for Washington.

W. Morrison is taking the fine short horns which J. G. Germain bought of Col. Younger to Washington Territory, near the British Columbia line. Mr. Germain has a large stock ranch there.

License to Marry.

R. D. Alvey, of Franktown, has procured the County Clerk a license to marry Margaret Cook, of Douglas county, Nevada.

Accidentally Shot.

F. Ritter, who lives near the foot of the grade, shot himself in the right arm Wednesday. He was in Sierra Valley on hunting trip. The wound is very severe and may cause the loss of the limb.

NEWS FROM THE CAPITAL.

Coins and Coinage—Carson Officials—The Mint to Close on Saturday—Curious Operation of the Drummer Law—The Bodie Traffic and Coming Changes, Etc.

Some one in the S. F. Chronicle refers to the initials I. B. L., seen on the old gold pieces coined in Philadelphia, and says that they are those of I. B. Longacre, formerly engraver for the U. S. mint at that place. Let me correct that the Silver State and other Nevada journals may not be misled. The gentleman referred to was I. B. Longacre, a painter and engraver who, never sunk a die in his life, and never sketched one which was adopted, though he really was engraver to the U. S. Mint and put his initials on the dies sunk by Bob Lovett and Mitchell of Boston. I knew Mr. Longacre personally and intimately, and speak by the card. Mr. Longacre is not a rare instance, by any means, of men who hold positions under the government, and who are utterly unfitted for the duties they assume; an assertion that might apply with more emphasis to state and municipal officers. There are a few striking examples even in Carson. Railroad companies are the only parties that never fall into this error; you do not find incompetent men around their offices, or employed at their works; but Uncle Sam and the dear people are not so careful in their selections. Compared with our present

COARSELY DRAWN AND POORLY EXECUTED

dies, some of the old coinage were works of art, and those coined during Mr. Longacre's term are certainly preeminent. Some of our present cut pieces are but little better than the old cast dollars of Mexico and Peru, and are a disgrace to our mint service. But I do not know that it will do any good to get angry about it, and I'll switch off.

Talking of mints and coinage, reminds me that our own mint will shut down on Saturday in order to give some of the overworked hands a rest, and it is not stated with any certainty when it will resume. The whole place wears a dreary aspect now. Wet and decayed leaves cover the pavements and hang on the window sills; the windows look dim and unwashed as those of a city residence during the summer season. A few employees linger around the neighborhood or lean against the granite pillars, to get a glimpse of the lucky clerks, as they pass in and out, or a cheery smile from the "old man" —Crawford—who

BEAMS KINDLY ON THEM

with a fact that says as plainly as words could write it, "bless you, my children; I'm sorry, but you know I do not own the concern or I would keep you at work." Meanwhile business languishes. The recent litigation regarding the drummer law caused a member of the Carson Brass Band to offer a resolution on Saturday last to dissolve the organization; stating that it was impossible to pay monthly license for two drummers. The motion was finally voted down, but not till a committee was appointed to consult counsel as to whether the law did not contemplate San Francisco drummers only. The law, if applied literally, will work a dreadful hardship to Chinese funerals. We have had for two days the most outrageous, raw, rainy, frosty, snowy and greasy weather, of which this Damascus of Nevada has had a smell for a long time. It is tapering off now, and the sun is smiling on us once more. Great strings of laden wagons, drawn by heavy mule teams, daily crawl

RENO MEN IN BODIE,

and all doing well. Among others Mr. Walker saw C. A. Richardson, who is doing a prosperous business; Wm. Barlow, who is looking well, and W. T. C. Elliott, who is filling large contracts for wood, sticking closely to business and said to be making money. J. E. Baker, late of the GAZETTE, was rustling for news and appeared careworn and dusty. New buildings are constantly going up, and are built of the most substantial material; four or five in course of construction being of brick.

THE NEED OF A CHURCH

is becoming more and more urgent every day, and Mr. Walker took a great interest in the efforts that are being made to establish a place of worship for the devout of Bodie. He called upon several of the acting clergy of the place, and was told that the deaths from pneumonia were producing a beneficial effect in the way of directing the inhabitants towards the consideration of the probability of a hereafter. In spite of the seeming impurity and all-pervading worldliness of the place, he is inclined to think that there is a strong undercurrent of religious feeling in Bodie, although it runs very deep. Mr. Walker conversed with many citizens on the subject of the church and he said that most of them thought very favorably of the project and believed it would pay well.

Nat. Furst's Father—His Fondness for His Son.

During a recent visit to Cincinnati, one of the editors of the Eureka Leader met the father of Nat. Furst who died suddenly at the race track in Reno during the fair. The news of Nat's death had reached his old home, although the old man had not been informed of the event. He was tenderly attached to his son, who resembled him in both features and sporting proclivities. The father is quite wealthy, having accumulated a fortune by his expertise in poker playing, a pursuit that occupies his attention during the winter months, and his shrewdness as a vendor of cheap jewelry, an occupation that he devotes himself to in the Southern States in the summer time. His friends, being aware of his intense attachment for his son and fearing the effects that a knowledge of his death would have upon the father, kept the news from him for a month past. Nat. also had a brother in business in Kansas City, who is a prosperous merchant and quite a different character from the Bohemian, Nat.

Carson, Nov. 12, 1879.

Now News Grows.

The GAZETTE lately said that there were several persons in Reno who practiced "snuff dipping." The following items have since appeared:

Many Reno females indulge in snuff dipping.—Eureka Leader.

"Snuff dipping" is practiced extensively among the female elite of Reno.—Tuscarora Times-Review.

"Snuff dipping" is all the rage in Reno.—Bodie Free Press.

TO A TRIP TO BODIE.

Reno Man's Impressions of Bodie and Aurora—The Mining Camp of the Coast—Business Flourishing—Pneumonia and Whiskey—The Need of a Church.

I. P. Walker recently returned from a trip to Bodie and Aurora. He made a stay of seven days in Aurora and three in Bodie. He went via Mason Valley along the route of the projected extension of the V. & T. road. "Pine Switch" is already going ahead on the strength of the coming railroad, new buildings are going up and business is fast increasing. Mr. Walker reports that Aurora is a very flourishing camp. The Real de Monte has excellent prospects. The mine has been provided with an 18-inch pump, discharging an immense volume of water. It is the second largest mining pump in the United States. Bodie will soon be, Mr. Walker says, the

THE RENO FOUNDRY.

The Business That's Poor Young Man is Striving With Might and Main to Make a Success.

Several months ago a young man named A. B. Fournier, came to Reno to start a small iron foundry. His capital amounted to only a few hundred dollars, but he had pluck, energy and perseverance. He found a vacant

near space on the south side of the river the railroad bridge, that was suitable for a site, and at once went to work to start his foundry. He purchased for a song, in Virginia, an old engine and boiler, rusty and useless, brought them here, repaired the engine, fitted up the boiler and got the whole in running order. Then he bought a small furnace and got it in place and ready for use. He dug a hole in the ground and built himself a cabin over it. There, with his assistant, he cooks and sleeps. Collecting stones and boulders from the river banks he built a low wall about his foundry, as a shelter from the wind. He had money enough to buy from and coal, and after contending with and overcoming innumerable difficulties he at last got his place ready for business, and last Monday made the first casting ever turned out in Reno. His works are all in the open air, with protection from the rain and snow.

There never was an enterprise started in Reno more worthy of encouragement, help and patronage than this little foundry on the river bank. No visitor to that rude establishment can leave it without a feeling of admiration for the courage, energy and determination of its young proprietor.

Such men this country needs, and our business firms would do well to extend a helping hand to this brave young foundryman, and aid him to make his enterprise a success. Give him what work you can, if nothing else. He can turn out every description of small castings, does his work well, and does it cheaply.

Should this struggling enterprise in time expand into a large and prosperous establishment, with tall chimneys sending up great volumes of smoke into the sky, giving employment to a score of workmen, and adding to the population and the commercial importance of Reno, it may then be interesting to repeat the story of the early efforts of its founder.

A Case for Mr. Keys.

W. Doan, Esq., has recently been appointed postmaster of the town of Boca, Cal. Mr. Doan is a keen and vigilant officer of the republic, and has joined hands with the great and good ex-Confederate United States postmaster general, in the correction of abuses. One of the reforms in the delivery department of the Boca post office has made a few unreasonable persons mad, and they have made some talk. It seems that a man at Prosser Creek who gets his mail through the Boca post office, put up a box outside the door in order that his messenger could get his mail at six o'clock in the morning, an hour at which no sane man could expect a Government official to be on duty. This unreasonable and fraudulent man no sooner got his box built, painted and secured with lock and key, than he requested the P. M. to put another Prosser Creek gentelman's mail into his box. This the P. M. did, and at the same time sent a bill to each of them for a quarterly box rent in advance at the usual rate. To this they demurred, and the end is not yet. It is only simple justice to Mr. Doan, to say that he is firm and unyielding and insists that the Government should not suffer this loss.

Fishing at Pyramid Lake.

J. B. Whitehead got in from Pyramid Lake Thursday. He informs a GAZETTE reporter that the lake fishermen who were indicted have abandoned fishing until the whole matter shall have been settled by the government. This will leave only about six white fishermen at the lake. Watson and Bartlett brought in their last catch Thursday. The fishing has never been better than during the past six weeks. There are a good many Indians fishing at the inlet of the Truckee. Marshall, the Indian agent, has been threatening to arrest Watson and Bartlett, and they therefore thought it advisable to suspend operations.

Mr. Whitehead says that so far no salmon have been caught in the lake, to his knowledge. The trout are beginning to run up the river and have already reached Wadsworth in considerable numbers.

An Amputation Performed.

Dr. Dawson got home Friday from Fredrick Ritter's ranch in Washoe valley, where he had been attending Mr. Ritter, who accidentally shot himself last Tuesday. The doctor took effect in his right arm above the elbow. Dr. Dawson was sent for and on his arrival, found that amputation would be necessary. He prepared an assistant from Virginia and the operation was successfully performed. At last accounts Mr. Ritter was doing well.

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CARSON NEWS.

The Acid Factory Burned Down—A Large Court Docket—Amateur Theatricals—W. H. Taylor and the "Standard"—A Cloud Picture, etc.

From our own Correspondent.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—While I write, the fire-engines are snorting through the streets and a crowd of boys are yelling after the trucks, for an alarm of fire has just been rung and a dense smoke is rising beyond and above the Ormsby, from the region covered by the cages of the "soiled doves," who roost there, and where several fires have recently occurred. There is a pretty heavy wind blowing, at the same time not a steady one, and our firemen are active and have plenty of water.

THE GRAND JURY IN SESSION
just now has already presented a number of true bills, mostly against Chinese and opium smokers, and there will be a busy session of the court for the present term. Our District Attorney always does things "according to law," and even goes so far as to insist on having a two-cent Revenue stamp put upon his glass every time he drinks a cocktail. Three men and two wagons have been engaged for two days in carrying furniture and properties to the Opera House for the

PRO FROU PERFORMANCE,
and one lady has had sixteen dressmakers employed on her wardrobe for nearly a month. I presume she is going to do some lightning changes. I regret that I cannot write up a critique in advance for your "Sunday reading" column, but I am afraid I might do injustice to some, and so I'll leave you to cull from Sam Davis' report, and I'll criticize him afterwards. I see by the papers that my old friend W. B. T. has gone to

EDIT THE BODIE "STANDARD"
having given up his Publishing Bureau. You'll have another Journalist's death to record soon, and short biographies of the Hon. W. B. T. will be in order. When you write up your obituary, I can furnish you several interesting anecdotes of the old man's life: for "Billy was a gay young fellow" as old Booth used to sing in the celebrated song of that name. Pat Holland is there and we commend him to Pat's tender care.

THE WEATHER HERE
at present writing, is of a very exhilarating nature, and reminds me of the diary of a travelling schoolmaster I read once on shipboard. Describing the scenery on the coast of Ireland, he said, "the rocks which form this coast are of a peculiar style of architecture." So is Carson weather just now. A streak of sunshine yonder is fringed with slate-colored clouds and is reflected upon others of most fantastic forms and varying tints. Then come rolling from the south-east vast masses of angry rolling forms, and the

SUNSHINE AND THE FLEECY CLOUDS
are shrouded with a mantle as dark as Erebus, and accustomed to other climes you look for the quick zigzag of livid light which shall cleave it in generous rain. It hangs and rolls for a space along the mountain tops, and shuts out the canyons, and then rolls away Bodieward, leaving a blue sky instead, with scintillating clouds which herald the gentle zephyr and a cold night. We could tell you, with all our inexperience, that winter is near, by the piles of split wood which show above the fences; by the tinamith hurrying to and fro with some lengths of pipe under each arm in the early morning; by the rosy faces of bright childhood hurrying backward and forward with bundles of books; by the old "stiffs" who warm their coat-tails at barroom stoves and skirmish around for early cocktails, and by the growl of that Chinaman about "heap handkerchief" in this week's wash.

A DESTRUCTIVE FIRE.
The fire which occurred awhile ago was an acid factory which is entirely destroyed, with some adjoining property. Loss, about \$15,000; partly insured. But I will "heave to" once more.

CARSON, Nov. 13th.

An Unexpected Arrival.

Mrs. Theresa Welch was a passenger on the west bound overland train Friday night, and thought she would stop over in Reno for a few days. She put up at the Depot Hotel and before morning gave birth to a fine boy baby. Mrs. Welch is from Deadwood and was going through to San Francisco. Mother and child are both doing well.

A Pioneer Gone.

John Twaddle of Franktown, familiarly known as Uncle Johnny Twaddle, died Saturday at Franktown after an illness of 8 or 9 days. He was a pioneer of Nevada, having come from Salt Lake with the Mormons, who settled in Franktown. He was buried there on Tuesday at two o'clock.

NOTINGS.

The river is very muddy. Miners pies are now in order. The Indians predict a rough winter. They expect to get enough. Jupiter has been assessed 35 cents.

Dr. DeFreyc, the beautiful, is in Eureka.

M. Weil is making heavy closing out sales. Clocks down to \$8.

There is a bad hole in the pavement in front of the Palace Hotel.

The locomotives now go West with light snow plows attached.

An assessment of twenty-five cents has been levied upon Black Hawk.

The machinery of the Jones and Kinkead mine will be started up in a few weeks.

D. McFarland is putting down a line crossing from the Arcade Hotel to the railroad platform.

A. M. Wicks cut a bee tree at Bronco the other day and got 200 pounds of nice honey.

William Weil leaves for the east next month, to remain in his old home in Cleveland, Ohio.

The firemen's ball on Thanksgiving evening promises to be a great success. Everybody is going.

Parrot the gunsmith, has a combined double barrelled gun and rifle, that is quite a wonder of ingenious construction.

Though the ground freezes at night now, yet it is warm enough during the day for the school children to play out of doors, bareheaded.

County Treasurer Boyd says a gust of hot, foul air greets him every time he opens the door of the fireproof vault. The room is so tight that the air becomes dead.

About 500 hogs a month are brought into Nevada on the cars. They go mostly to Virginia. Very little pork is consumed there in summer, but in winter the demand is heavy.

Very demonstrative but irritable gentleman to his wife:

"Susie, dear, did you see my hat?"
"No, my darling."

"Oh! Damn it, you never know where anything is."

C. C. Monroe, of Pyramid, is in town. He says the whistle in the J. and K. works will blow inside of five days. A little engine to supply pure air to the shaft will be running in half that time.

The tickets for the fireman's Thanksgiving ball, which may now be seen in all the show cases, are as neat work as can be done anywhere. They were printed in the GAZETTE office by Frank Mosher, who is proving himself a natural artist in this line.

The Pyramid Lake fishermen are preparing to apply to the President for pardon and at the same time to have the reservation cut down. They are receiving the hearty co-operation of United States District Attorney Varian, and should be aided in every possible way by everyone in the State, and this county in particular.

The Palace Hotel is a live place. It is patronized by a large class of travelers on the railroad as well as regular customers. The bar and billiard rooms are thronged every evening. Mr. Falez is well known in Eastern Nevada, and Mr. Tomlitz catches everyone on the V. & T. trains.

New Patents.

Dewey & Co.'s Scientific Press Agency has received official notice of the issue of the following patents to Pacific coast inventors, for the week ending November 4th, 1879: 221,235, J. T. Cooper and J. Wagner, Silver Reef, Utah, tap for tin-cans, etc.; 221,220, Geo. E. Dow, S. F., valve mechanism; 221,224, A. Ehret, S. F., steam engine; 221,226, J. J. Fowler, Ukiah, Cal., fastening whip lashes; 221,305, W. A. Heath, Headingsburg, Cal., wrench; 221,325, C. C. Lane, New Westminster, B. C. can for hermetically-sealed goods; 221,178, W. A. L. S. F., eas-ring; 221,346, R. O'Donnell, S. F., attachment for invalid beds; 221,186, S. Petty, Volcano, Cal., mechanical calculator; 7,766, F. Korbel & Bros., S. F., cheese, (trade-mark).

An Elegant Residence.

Joe Kennedy is just putting in locks to a very creditable job on Second street. It is a two story and mansard roof dwelling, which he has built for his own home. There is an astonishingly economical use made of the room. The first floor has a hallway, a fine parlor with bay windows, a dining room, kitchen, bed room, and a little gem of a bath room. A staircase in the hall leads to the second floor, which is divided into five rooms with closets. The mansard will make three or four nice rooms. There are water and gas pipes on every floor. The finish both inside and out is good and Joe will have one of the handsomest homes in the Riverside town. May he long enjoy it.

A Lucky Fall.

A section man at Bronco fell under a hand car Friday morning. Fortunately the wheels did not strike him, and by lying still the car passed over him and he suffered no injury.

CAPITAL NEWS.

The Frou Frou Performance Postponed—What the Trouble Is—The Virginia "Chronicle" Discussed—A Joke About Hank Monk.

It is humiliating, when I was priming myself for a slashing criticism on Saturday's performance of Frou Frou, to be compelled instead to write an apology. Frou Frou is postponed one week, for causes which we know not of, but evidently potent. It was reported that there was an *enmity* among the actors, which is not so; and it was supposed by some that a few were not "up" in their parts; this I know is wrong. "Dinna ye be speakin' o't" and I'll tell you the secret. Frou Frou is a society play; society dresses *decolette*, adding what is saved from the bustle to the train, and trains require room to squirm in. Now the stage of our opera house is not as large as a circus ring, and in so contracted a space, especially when filled with stage furniture, there is very little chance for those evolutions necessary to a full display of that.

MOST UNGRACEFUL OF ALL APPENDAGES, when not allowed full swing—a train. In fact, when Miss Cavendish played here a week or two since, every moment she could spare from facial contortion and a display of somewhat voluptuous upper works, was devoted to that train, which, with a set of amateurs on the stage, would have been torn to ribbons in one evening. Here, then, is one hitch. It was probably discovered that there was no possible chance for three ladies, at least, all dressed *en train*, to evolutionize on the stage to any advantage; indeed, it was quite impossible, and so the stage must either be enlarged or the dresses curtailed. The former would require time to accomplish, and the latter was simple out of the question, and hence the postponement. How they will fix things up I cannot pretend to say, but it is promised that

THE PLAY WILL CERTAINLY COME OFF one week hence. I am fearfully disappointed, for Mary Anne has had her hair in papers for two days, sleeping with open eyes, and now she must go through the process next week again, just on account of those trains, and the little *petit souper* which I had been spoken must remain untouched. Gods! how much hangs now and then on a yard of crinoline!

You observe that the Virginia *Chronicle* has got a new text, and now there is rest for Powning and the *Enterprise*. The truth is that they had been twanged so long that they were becoming frayed, fortunately for the public and the strings.

Grant spoke a little piece in Chicago the other day from MS., and the *Chronicle* jumped in.

AND NOW POOR GRANT SUPPERS.

The trouble with me is how a paper made up of so many shreds and patches of political creeds can agree as "touching any one thing." The *Chronicle* is certainly a somewhat piebald concern—cast of many colors—but somehow it keeps a solid front, and butts like a ram; and as the cat has not jumped quite in the line marked out by the Democratic press in the late elections, these fellows must fall back on "fraudulency" and "Cæsarian" and "centralization," and like caged wild beasts continue to show their harmless fangs and give vent to the same yell which marked their freedom. The claws and yells are alike harmless, for the people are no longer to be frightened at false faces. It was rumored yesterday that

HANK MONK HAD GONE CRAZY

over the fact that Jasper Babcock had mutilated one of his jokes which he was trying to tell to a party at the Ormsby House. I interviewed Hank this morning, and found him all right, mentally, but he swears that next time Bab comes a pull like that over him there will be a vacancy in the office of Secretary of State.

COMO: CARSON, Nov. 14th.

LIST OF LETTERS.

REMAINING UNCALLED FOR IN THE *RENO GAZETTE*, Office, Nov. 15th, 1879. Parties calling for any of these letters will please say "advertised."

Biddle, W. H. Martesson, H. Molino, Joseph
Bukley, J. E. Morrison, Robert
Bailey, L. W. McCarthy, C.
Borkley, R. McCrary, W.
Brancipe, D. Parks, R. W.
Brown, B. V. Peacock, U.
Brown, Mrs. Mary Powers, L.
Bunting, E. Rivers, E. E.—5
Carson, Jas. Richardson, A. T.
Carroll, J. N. Robinson, Mrs. D.
Casey, Thomas. Richardson, W. D.
Caldero, O. Robinson, Miss L.
Casey, O. Shea, Pat.
Cassidy, J. Stans, H. B.
Chodoriot, G. Tambore, G. A.
Connolly, F. Taylor, F. A.
Crosman, D. S. Talbott, J. B.
Dund, and Rosalie—2 * Vincent, B. F.
Dobie, Geo.—2 Vorwies, Geo.
Edwards, W. S. Ward, P. H.
Friedrich, M. E.—2 Williams, Geo. A.
Haller, Geo. T. Williams, Geo. J.
Bickie, Mrs. Mary Williams, E.
Matis, A. Williams, E.

S. M. JAMISON, P. M.

STATE NEWS.

Lots of wild ducks on the Owyhee. Tuscarora talks of a dramatic club.

The "Juvenile Pinafors" will perform in Winnemucca next week.

Frank Mayo is having a successful engagement at Pipers.

The Carson boys are adepts with stilts, and a stilt race is talked of.

Sixteen inches of snow on the summit between Carson and Lake Tahoe.

Congressman Daggett has finished his book and will have it published in the East.

The clerks of Virginia are working hard to get proprietors of stores to close their places of business Sundays.

At the mouth of the Sutro Tunnel the temperature of the air is 50 degrees; at shaft No. 1, 76; at shaft No. 2, 80; at the headers, 81 to 82.

The Eureka *Leader* tells a story of a man who said that he was about to marry and settle down, and was advised to stay single and settle up.

Superintendent Deidesheimer, of the Hale and Norcross, says the boss bonanza of the Comstock lode is yet to be opened, and will be found in the Union Consolidated ground.

At the Carson Mint 43,713 ounces of crude bullion have been received from the Bullion mine, Paradise district, the result of ten days' work in the mill belonging to the company.

Socty personal from the *Silver State*: Chief Naches goes to San Francisco to meet his sister, Sarah Winnebago, who is expected to arrive from Oregon on the steamer California.

The Tuscarora *Times-Review* refers to Charles Gray, who was recently examined here on a charge of grand larceny, as "a former Tuscarora rounder" and remarks that he is "again in luck."

The Sutro *Independent* tells how a lady of that place won a \$5 bet by riding a block and a half through the principal street in a wheelbarrow, and concluded that it paid better than keeping a lodging house.

Says the Austin *Recruiter*: The mail route between this city and Eureka has been discontinued, by order of the Postal Department, and the stages which have been running over the aforementioned route will run no more.

The Mineral Soap Company have purchased the Hot Springs near Elko, and are preparing to manufacture on an extensive scale. The company turns out at present five kinds of soap, viz: washing, plain mineral, castile, toilet and farrier's.

Says the Carson *Appeal*: A gentleman who came in on the Bodie stage last evening, states that on last Sunday there were ten bodies at the morgue in Bodie, victims of pneumonia, and about fifty people around town down with the disease.

The *Times-Review* brags that Tuscarora has two things that Virginia hasn't. A two bit saloon and a dividend paying mine. It also offers to bet that there are more children to the square mile and woman in Tuscarora than in any mining camp in the State.

The following is the Carson Post office business during the first seven days of November: Total first class (letters and postal cards), 3,843; second class, 3,895; third class, 778; fourth class, 89. Total, 8,605. Mailed in postal car, 703. Grand total, 9,308.

The Austin *Recruiter* says: The engineers and foreman on the C. P. R. R., working on the Humboldt division, are participating in the profits incident to a revival of business. They are paid by the number of miles they run, and manage to secure a large amount of extra work. It is stated that the engineers are averaging at the present time from \$150 to \$200 per month, and the foreman in a like ratio.

Yerington & Bliss' saw mill at Lake Bigler has been shut down for want of logs. This is on account of the recent storms on the lake which cause the waves to run so high that rafts can not be taken over. The loggers are breaking camp in the mountains and going into winter quarters. There are 600,000 feet of logs to run down, but it is thought that there will be no difficulty in getting them across the lake before the winter sets fairly in.

CARSON APPEAL.

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Dederick Perpetual Baling Presses,

Meadow King Mowers,

Taylor Hay Rakes,

Collin's Cast Steel Plows,

Cast Iron Plows,

Champion Fan Mills,

Buckeye Cider Press

A SPLENDID STORE.

The Germ of One of the Great Establishments Reno will Have in Five Years.

A GAZETTE reporter who had often been struck by the neatness and taste with which the store of Sol Levy is always arranged, went through the establishment on an inspecting tour Wednesday and felt well repaid for the trouble. From one end to the other, through all the boxes, counters and shelves, among all the miscellany necessary to a large dry goods trade, the same order and care is found, there is no confusion nor jamming although there is not a foot of room lost. Every owner is full of goods, and every thing in its proper place. The store is on Virginia street, on the west side, next to John Sunderland's boot and shoe store and occupies a very fine brick building. The front is of

LARGE GLASS DOORS

and the whole of it can be thrown open, making two large entrances. A large counter on either side extends nearly the whole length of the long room, and at the front are covered with very fine show cases, which contain the thousand and one things without which no store is complete. At the rear is a safe and desk where Mr. Levy studies up the advertisements which everybody reads in the GAZETTE. Beginning at the very threshold the reporter inspected the goods just like an expert going through a mine, or a lady who wanted to buy five bits worth of goods. With the politeness of a bonanza king escorting an ex-President through the lower levels, Mr. Levy tore everything to pieces, opened all the boxes, and told the prices of goods enough to break all the newspaper men in the state; to one who is not thoroughly posted it is astonishing to see how much merchandise it takes to keep a list of customers supplied. Every part of Mr. Levy's stock is

FULL AND COMPLETE

In the way of staples he has a long list of prints, selected in patterns as choice as silks and velvets. He has sheeting from four-quarter all the way to ten in width, which he says he can sell at factory prices. His dress goods in patterns that make a fellow wish he could wear crinoline, range from ten cents a yard up to bonanza prices. In this class of articles he can certainly suit the taste of the most particular. There was something he called cashmere, in a lot of different colors, that range from fifty cents a yard up. Then there were stocks of plain and plaided flannel that are going at from twenty-five cents a yard up, and a very large lot of cotton flannel besides. He has black silks and colored silks, some as low as seventy-five cents a yard and others "away up." In velvets and satins he could clothe

A HOMELY FAMILY

He has water proof and ladies' cloths and cloakings enough to cover a seminary. He can sell cloth for men and boys' pants and let them make them up or take them to a tailor. He is selling men's back gloves at less than factory rates, and umbrellas at all kinds of prices. He has a corner full of lady shawls, cloaks and ulsters. There are blankets and window blinds and plenty of them. At the back of the store the wall is hidden by rolls of rug and carpets, for halls, stairways, parlors and bedrooms, and a big lot of towels, napkins and table linen bleached unbleached and colored. The display of fancy goods is very attractive. There are velvet, silk, satin, plain and brocaded ribbons in dazzling variety; kid gloves with two, four and six buttons, in black as well as in exquisite opera shades; lady's neck scarfs and handkerchiefs in all the colors of the rainbow; fringings and headings of the latest whalebone styles; trimmings and laces, black and white, from the cheapest to the most expensive; fine nottingham and real lace curtains; tidiess of all sizes and styles and

BUTTONS BY THE BUSHEL

nansooks (conundrum), bishop and victoria lawns and linen cambrics, card boards, zephyrs, embroidery silks, jas and honey comb canvas, mottos, slipper patterns, ottomans and holiday goods. The reporter blushed violently at the corset counter which contains goods of every color and quality. Hose for ladies, men and children were stacked up close by, and underwear for the limbs of all kinds of people. In the shop department there is a small and well-selected stock for ladies and children's wear which Mr. Levy says he wants to close out and will sell at less than factory prices. He has bibles for the babies, scarfs and handkerchiefs and embroideries at importers' prices. If anything in the list is missed, it will be found before Christmas. Such an establishment requires great attention, and Mr. Levy keeps two men constantly busy, beside devoting his own time to the business. He informed the writer that his business had been very satisfactory since he came to Reno and that he had no regrets at casting his lot with the people of Washoe county.

MINING MANAGEMENT

The Chollar Potosi and the Combination Shaft.

The Virginia Chronicle of Saturday devotes an even column to Isaac L. Requa's management of the combination shaft. The portion is follows: "The management of the combination shaft is standing reproach and a serious injury to the mining interests of the Comstock, and it is an outrage on the stock-holders of the Savage, Hale & Norcross and the Chollar-Potosi. There should be a change of some kind. A cross-cut on the 2,400 foot level would be very likely to develop an ore body, and infuse a little more life into the town and stock market." The Post of last night sees the Chronicle and goes it one better. Its Virginia correspondent says

MR. REQUA LACKS COMPETENCE.

And, even were he as skillful as the best Superintendent here, he cannot manage his mine for its good interest and remain away in San Francisco 25 days out of 80. I hope and trust good sense on his part will prompt an early resignation, and that the management will supply the vacancy with a man of experience, who has more time than money, and who can give his undivided attention to the work of developing the property under him."

Mr. Requa has been superintendent of the Chollar Potosi mine for the last thirteen years. He has worked the mine in the interest of the stockholders instead of the stock boards, and in the eyes of many, that is a crime. It is no more than the truth to say that he carried the Comstock on his back once, when things were blue and hope seemed vain in every part of the great lode but one. The bright spot was the Chollar Potosi. Its dividends kept others in heart and led to the opening up of the Crown Point, Belcher bonanza. Mr. Requa has prospected the mine to a depth of 1850 feet. On the south the Julia has a crosscut on the 2100 level, and on the north the Norcross cuts the ledge on the 2300, and the superintendent says he gets ore. Mr. Requa has an idea that it will be better to get

A LITTLE UNDER

the mines around him, in order to find out what he has, than to make discouraging failures by being too hasty. When he is ready to crosscut he will do it scientifically, as he has done his other work. The showing has been less than it would in sinking if there had been no delays in the Sutro tunnel business. There was a delay of ninety days waiting for the tunnel company to get ready to take water, and one of ninety days getting the pumps in order. Mr. Requa has sunk the finest shaft on the globe, and it is doubtful if there is a more competent miner or mill man in the state of Nevada.

Sir Astley Cooper's Vital Restorative: The great English remedy has made more cures of Nervous Debility, Mental Weakness, Loss of Manhood, nocturnal emissions, lassitude, inability for mental labor, despondency, and such diseases as are induced by youthful follies and excesses, than all other medicines combined. It is not a stimulant nor excitant, is perfectly safe to take, is not a quack nostrum, and produces results that are wonderful. Why will you suffer? Send to A. E. Mintle, M. D., No. 11 Kearney street, San Francisco, or the Restorative, and be cured. Price, \$3 per bottle. Four to the quantity. Dr. Mintle treats all private diseases successfully. Osway & Shoemaker, Agents.

A Wedding Sunday

Harry L. Bowmer, late of the GAZETTE office, was married to Miss Minnie Manns Sunday afternoon at Haffaker's. The ceremony was performed by Justice Young at the residence of Assessor Everett. Many of the friends of the young couple attended. The bridegroom was Miss Etta McNeely, and Frank Mosher stood by Bowmer in the last moments of his bachelorship. Mr. Everett had provided a generous lunch for the guests, and the occasion was heartily celebrated. Next morning the gallant bridegroom with his blushing bride departed for the home of his father in Alturas, taking with him the best wishes of a wide circle of friends.

A Card to Land Men.

Office of Copp's Land-Owner, Washington, D. C., Nov. 15, 1879.—To land attorneys and Real Estate brokers:—Your names will be inserted, without charge, in the last chapter of "The American Settler's Guide," a new book on public lands, to be circulated extensively in the Atlantic States and in Europe. Send for a circular giving details. Address HENRY N. COPP, Washington, D. C.

Humbugged Again.

I saw so much said about the merits of Hop Bitters, and my wife who is always doctoring, and never well, teased me so urgently to get her some, I concluded to humbug her again; and I am glad I did, for in less than two months use of the Bitters my wife was cured and she has remained so for eighteen months since. I like such humbugging.—H. T., St. Paul.—Pioneer Press.

A Chinaman Found on a Brake Beam.

No kinder hearted man than Conductor Willard ever ran a railroad train. In speaking of the tramp nuisance on railroads, he says that his experience has convinced him, that sympathy for tramps is entirely misplaced. If a conductor took pity on one of the poor devils, and gave him a free ride, the tramp would, in nine cases out of ten, boast how he had "beat the — — of a conductor." Railroad employees are usually very kind to men they think in need, and deserving; will give them a job at breaking, coal or wooding up, and often furnish them a square meal, but they won't let tramps beat their way over the road if they can help it.

John Chinaman, with all his vices, is never a tramp or a dead beat. There is a "hardly ever" to this general statement. Conductor Willard found a Chinaman on a brake beam the night lately, the first case of a Celestial trying to steal a ride that he has known or heard of in an experience of twelve years or more on railroads.

Suicide.

A distinguished scientist once said: "No man with a strong and healthy stomach ever commits suicide;" and yet many are suffering the tortures of the damned with Dyspepsia, when a single bottle of Dr. Mintle's English Dandelion, Liver and Dyspepsia Pills will give relief; and, if persisted in, will cure the worse case of this distressing trouble. This pill cures Torpid Liver and Biliousness, regulates the bowels, removes pimples from the face, cures salivary complexion, foul breath, sick headache, heartburn, pain in the sides and back; is sugar-coated, and guaranteed to be PURELY VEGETABLE. It acts directly upon the coating of the stomach and on the liver; can be taken in any climate—wet or dry weather. Beware of imitations. The genuine has an engraving of a lion on the outside wrapper. Price 50 cents. For sale by Osbahr & Shoemaker, druggists.

A Horse Snow Shoe.

Nels. Hammond has a pattern for a horse snow shoe which he expects to find useful on his stage lines this winter. A heavy iron shoe with huge corks of larger dimensions than any ever worn outside of the Houghnham nation, is fastened to a pine board 12 inches square. The board is covered with iron and pierced for the corks on the horse's foot. The shoe is fastened on by an iron clamp tightened by a screw. The device is the invention of Mr. Clemens, of Laporte, Plumas Co., Cal. He was never successful, however, in getting it patented. It is growing in value to mountain districts, and is very much used.

The Parkinson Case.

U. S. District Attorney Varian says that the bond for \$750, under which Deacon Parkinson was allowed to remain at liberty after sentence had been pronounced upon him, was accepted merely as a temporary expedient to save Parkinson from imprisonment.

There is no law compelling the district attorney to accept such a bond, and had Mr. Varian so willed, Mr. Parkinson would have been committed to jail in default of payment of the fine and costs. The law must, however, take its course, and Mr. Parkinson will shortly be required to make provision for the payment of the whole amount.

A Card.

To all who are suffering from the errors and indiscretions of youth, nervous weakness, early decay, loss of manhood, etc., I will send a recipe that will cure you, FREE OF CHARGE. This great remedy was discovered by a missionary in South America. Send a self addressed envelope to the REV. JOSEPH T. INMAN, Station U, New York City.

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—Times-Review.

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The woodchoppers and others who have been at work on the timber ranches up in the Sierra are flocking down into the valleys in search of winter quarters.

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COAST NEWS.

The Carson Reform Club boasts of a billiard table.

One Bodie doctor has twelve pneumonia patients.

Oakland is to have a Masonic temple worth \$61,000.

Paradise is booming. Several new discoveries are reported.

The Tuscarora Times-Review is increasing its circulation.

Shakespeare, a new mining town near Tucson, is to have a newspaper.

Sleighting in Tuscarora.

The winter is already hard on Tuscarora.

The first case of typhus fever ever known in Sacramento, occurred last week.

The hobby of perpetual motion has sent a Winnemucca man to the Insane Asylum.

Seventeen miles northeast of Nevada City there are sixteen inches of snow on the level.

The News says there are many young, able-bodied men lying dangerously ill at Bodie.

The sales in the San Francisco Board during the past week amounted to \$1,020,000.

The daily lumber shipments of the Truckee Lumber Co. lately have been 100,000 feet.

A man named Myers in Fresno Co. recently lost 2400 sheep from eating a poisonous weed.

The West Belle Isle stock (Tuscarora) is to be listed shortly on the San Francisco Stock Board.

The people of Oroville are discharging Chinese servants and hiring white cooks and chambermaids.

Mr. Thomas Higgins, of the Coiner's department of the Carson mint, has retired, after ten years' service.

Grading on the Northern Pacific Railroad in Oregon exceeds one mile a day and will soon be greatly increased.

It is untrue that pneumonia causes all the deaths in Bodie. Impure water also has its victims, not to speak of Bodie whiskey.

The new schoolhouse in Humboldt district No. 6, Paradise Valley, is completed and school will be opened there immediately.

Sinking on the Ohio mine at Rebel Creek, Humboldt county, is going forward. The ore coming out is richer than ever.

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The shriveled jaws were observed to be inflated, and something like green paste was oozing between her lips.

The officers pried open her jaws and ascertained that her mouth was filled with greenback pulp.

ANGORA GOATS.

A Trip to Swift's Hot Springs—His Army of Goats—Their Pedigree According to Swift—A Profitable Industry.

From Our Own Correspondent.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—I was immersed in an essay to be read before my Sunday school class, on the question: "Who was the father of Zebulon's children?" and was within an ace of the solution, when the thread was snipped by the mellifluous voice of Swift's driver, yelling, "all aboard for the springs." I knew that the thread was snipped, and that the question was to remain unanswered perhaps forever, and so I boarded that conveyance and went to the springs. You know where they are, and what they are, so I will not describe them. But do you know Swift? A good many men in Ormsby do, and remember him with longing affection, for Swift was sheriff till his head grew through the clouds, and he came down to plain ranching, running Hot Springs, and raising goats. The latter is Swift's pet hobby, and to hear him deliver

A LECTURE ON ANGORAS, is better than a concert, or a pitcher of hot lemonade—with a "toad" in it. "Let's renew the obligation," says he, "and I'll tell you all about that ram." The obligation was renewed, and Swift proceeds, "they ain't nary—you can insert any adjective you think of—"ram on this coast is better bred, nor of finer stock than that"—another adjective or two thrown in here—"kid; I know his full history, and he's the best"—more adjectives—"stock ever raised," and Swift goes through his pedigree from the day of his great ancestors came down that gang plank on Mt. Ararat to the present time. I hardly knew whether to believe Swift or not when he assured me that one of his great ancestors was the very fellow that was caught in the thicket by the horns up on "Mount Moriah," till I interviewed that goat this morning, and now I am sure of it, and especially as the "sheriff" traced the origin of the name by which the hair is known, back to that very incident in the life of Abraham and

THE HISTORY OF THESE GOATS.

"There can't be a d—d word of doubt about it," he argued; "Moriah, you see—Mo(hai)rih! Why it's as plain as that grease-wood flat," and Swift walked around the unconscious brute with all the pride of a fond parent. Seriously, Swift has a splendid band of goats, numbering 300 of the long-haired beauties, and whenever he can pick up a genuine young ram from Mount Moriah, or thereabouts, he opens his sack and corrals that goat. It is worth a trip this far to see that band, as they are driven out of the corral in the morning, streaming like a small army through the sage brush, their silky backs shining in the bright sun like a school of herrings in the German ocean on a moonlight night.

TREES THOUSAND OF THEM raise some dust too, and make themselves heard, but it is a beautiful sight, and yet there are not many around Carson who know that such an industry is pursued just at their doors, and fewer still, who have ever seen them. The raising of Angoras had been pursued in California for many years, but has never been profitable, owing probably to the limited demand for the wool in this country, or difficulties in obtaining the proper breed. Both of these drawbacks are being overcome, and with improved stock, and the advantages which our valleys present, there can be scarcely a doubt that in a few years this will become one of our permanent and prosperous industries. In addition to the hides, the wool will average about 50 cents per pound, and Mr. Swift has shipped 2000 pounds which his San Francisco agents pronounce much

BETTER THAN THE AVERAGE CALIFORNIA.

Mr. Swift has pastured his band for the past month or two on Washoe Lake, and they are just now driven in or the winter. His ranch and corral, which are only half a mile from the Hot Springs, are thoroughly supplied with water from that source, and there are splendid ranges in the neighboring hills, easy of access, and affording good pastureage. The sheriff has been pursuing this business quietly and perseveringly for some years and is bound, not only to make it a financial success, but to show our citizens, one of these days, the best band of Angora goats on the coast. It is such men who make a state, and Swift deserves all honor for his pluck.

PROBABLY A CONSPIRACY.

The papers announce the death of John Twaddle. Isn't this a conspiracy to injure a Nevada paper? I receive it regularly, and I am quite certain that Twaddle is not dead, for Twaddle sticks out all right. There must be a mistake somewhere.

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A DREADFUL AFFAIR.

A Citizen Trying to Wake up a Doctor Mistaken for a Burglar and Shot.

About 1 o'clock A. M. Sunday night-watching Ross found a man lying in the street in front of Dr. Snow's house on Centre street. An examination showed that he had been shot in the breast, but there was nothing from which to judge as to the cause which led to the fatal deed. There was nothing to indicate suicide, and the sum of \$13 50 found in the pockets proved that robbery was not the object. M. Weil and others were called up and the body recognized as being that of S. M. Oakes, who owns most of the property on Douglas and Lincoln avenues, and has kept the saloon on the site of the old Granger House for the past few months. Connor Jones was called at an early hour and the body taken to the dead house. Dr. Snow, who had been away all night, came home Saturday morning and found his wife in an excited state; she had not been to bed all night, and told him a man had tried to break into the house and she had shot through the door to frighten him away. The doctor said: "Well; you have killed a man." Mrs. Snow's story is, that Mr. Oakes came to the door about 10 o'clock and knocked. She asked who was there. Mr. Oakes was very deaf and only heard with difficulty when people talked right in his ear, and he never heard Mrs. Snow's voice at all. He walked up and down the platform

FOR OVER HALF AN HOUR, frequently knocking and shaking the door. Mrs. Snow, meantime, continued her cries, thinking to arouse the neighbors. Her three little ones were badly frightened and added their cries to hers. She finally shouted as loud as she could: "Go away, or I will shoot." He paid no attention, and she held up a small derringer, left by her husband, and fired through the door. The man turned and walked through the gate, closing it behind him, and fell within twenty feet of it. Mr. Oakes was born in Ohio, Maine county, forty-two years ago on the fifth of this month. He has been in Reno 13 years and was married nearly two years ago. He was the father of an infant daughter, now nine months and a half old. She was sick that night, and it was to get Dr. Snow to come to see her that caused him to go to his house. The affair is one of the most unfortunate which has ever occurred in Reno, and a feeling of sadness prevails in the entire community. Mrs. Snow suffers terribly, although no one attributes any bad motive at all to her.

A Shell in Her Ear for Over Thirty Years.

Mrs. Jennie Lewis, a well-known resident of Reno, has just returned from a trip to Europe. During her absence she removed from her ear a shell which had been lodged there for over thirty years. Mrs. Lewis says that when a child she was holding a small shell to her ear and trying to hear it: "roar." While so doing the shell, which is hardly a quarter of an inch in diameter, slipped into the passage of the ear. Efforts to dislodge it were unsuccessful and only drove it farther in. It remained there for ten years, causing occasional pains, when a surgical operation for its removal was attempted. The operation was performed in Illinois, where Mrs. Lewis' parents were then living. It was extremely painful and induced excessive bleeding, but was unsuccessful.

For twenty years more the shell remained in the ear, completely obstructing the passage. This summer, while on her homeward voyage across the Atlantic, Mrs. Lewis was one day seated on deck, engaged in picking with a pin the ear which harbored the shell. To her great joy and surprise, she found that the shell which had so long been firmly impacted was loosened, and that it moved under the pressure of the pin. She worked away at it in great excitement for a few minutes, and at last the long imprisoned shell was extracted. A surgeon on board the steamer was greatly interested in the case and declared he had never in his life heard of such an experience. Mrs. Lewis still keeps the shell, and shows it to her acquaintances when telling its story.

Make Gilt-Edged Butter.

Every dairyman wishes to get the top price for his butter. It can be done only by having it perfect in quality and appearance. When the color becomes light it is necessary to add a little of Wells, Richardson & Co.'s Perfected Butter Color to keep it up to the June standard. Many well known butter buyers recommend all their patrons to use only this preparation. It received the only award at the International Dairy Fair for superior purity, strength, perfection of color, and permanence. No longer use Annotto, or scrap carrots, but buy this color of Osburn & Shoemaker, druggists, who have it for sale, as well as all druggists and merchants generally.

The Best and Cheapest.

Job work cheaper than ever at this office. No one in the state can compete in style finish or price.

A TALK WITH THEODORE WINTERS.

The Man That Raised "Mollie McCarthy"—Some Account of That Celebrated Racer—Some Practical Ideas on Cattle Raising, From a Man Whose Head is Level.

Theodore Winters went down to Sacramento Monday night on the lightning train. On the freight train which followed, was a car-load of his horses, among them two racers that were injured some time ago, but are now fit to go on the track again. They will go to Sacramento where all his race horses are trained. In conversation with a GAZETTE reporter Mr. Winters expressed the opinion that

THE FAMOUS MOLLIE McCARTHY is not permanently disabled. He says that her feet were always troublesome. They are small and contracted. But, he states, the trouble is not in her feet but in the upper joints of the pastern, or ankle. The bones are not affected, but there is an affection of the tissues surrounding them, causing puffy swellings similar to windgalls. The mare was always subject to such swellings, rendering her at times unfit for work. He thinks she may yet go.

ON THE TURF AGAIN.

Mollie McCarthy was sired by Monday, a horse raised in New Jersey, and owned in California. Her dam was Farrell, and was purchased by Mr. Winters when in foal with Mollie. Mollie was born on his farm in Washoe county. She was a great pet, being docile, intelligent and affectionate. Courage was one of her characteristics. The first time she was put on the car she walked up the plank with the same willingness that we may imagine Noah's horses displayed when

THEY BOARDED THE ARK.

Mollie's best time was 1:43. Mr. Winters has seen her private trials exhibit a capacity of running a mile in 1:40, and believes under favorable conditions the mare could develop that speed on the track. He sold her to E. J. Baldwin for \$10,000, and Luck has owned her ever since. She is now nearly seven years old, an age after which running horses are not often found on turf. Her dam was once a noted racer.

THE TWO-YEAR-OLD COLT, CONNEE, owned by Mr. Winters is a very promising animal. He ran in Sacramento this season in 1:45, weighted with 107 pounds. He is better as a two-year-old than Mollie was, and his owner has great hopes of him. As Mr. Winters has for many years been largely engaged in raising cattle, his opinions on neat stock are valuable. He owns a herd of about 4,000 now grazing between Reno and Honey Lake. In the same section of country he has 300 horses which he keeps mostly to furnish mounts for his drivers. Of all the improved breeds of cattle Mr. Winters believes

THE DEVONS BEST FOR NEVADA. His stock is well graded with Devon blood. When, years ago, he first brought Devon stock into Washoe, the ranchers laughed at the small size, comparing them to rabbits. But experience has convinced him that the Devons are the best breed. They are very hardy, and even the thoroughbreds can endure the winter's cold as well, if not better, than the native scrub, or a Texan steer. They make very active working oxen and take on fat readily. They grow fast, and will thrive well when left to roam on the hills and to forage for themselves. Mr. Winters says in regard to

THE SHORT HORN DURHAMS that he is a good friend to Col. Younger, who breeds Durhams exclusively, and sells his stock at fancy prices. But Theodore Winters has no Durham stock, and has at present no intention of purchasing any—at least not a whole drove of them. It may be remarked, in conclusion, that if all men of Mr. Winters' knowledge and experience showed an equal degree of readiness to impart valuable information, and courtesy in giving it, the occupation of reporting would be more agreeable and the public would be the gainers.

Consumption Cured.

An old physician retired from practice, having had placed in his hands by an East India missionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure for Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Asthma, and all throat and lung affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and all Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human suffering, I will send free of charge to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French, or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail to addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. W. Shear, 149 Powers' Block, Rochester, N. Y.

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A Novel Entertainment.

The Women's Temperance Union will in a short time give a character concert for the benefit of the society. It will be made as interesting as possible and, it is hoped, make some money. Due notice will be given and everybody given time to get ready.

GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

A Worthy Institution With a commendable Purpose.

The object of the society is to make a Pacific Coast Geological Collection to be given gratis to the State of California, upon condition of its being kept perfect, and to encourage the study of geology. The idea originated with a few of its members, who deplored the want of a museum, where citizens and strangers could study the natural productions of the Coast; they saw that in the rush for wealth, its citizens overlooked this important subject. They saw that thousands of energetic prospectors were searching the country for precious metals, and that they were doing so to a certain extent blindly, for want of that information which can only be gained by the careful study of a well-arranged geological museum. These men had a right to ask assistance at the hands of those who could give it. It is really a matter of surprise how little the mining men of the Pacific Coast know of rocks and rock formation. It required years to learn that

MT. DAVIDSON WAS NOT SEVENTEEN.

The mistake was discovered by a member of the San Francisco Microscopical Society. The terms porphyry, granite and quartzite have a different significance in each mining center. A chrome iron mine has been extensively worked for silver; realgar is mistaken for cinnabar; red jasper mined extensively under the impression that a quicksilver mine was being opened; a company was being formed to make bottles of obsidian; mica and tellurium have been supposed to be of great value; obsidian has been mistaken for coal; grossularite has been supposed to be crystals of oxide of tin; yellow mica led to the Gold Lake excitement; micaceous iron is often mistaken for galena. To the ignorant miner, a rolled quartz pebble.

BECOMES A DIAMOND,

while the true gem escapes his notice.

Platinum, for a long time was called "white gold," and was supposed to be gold, coated with mercury. Many valuable mineral substances are passed unnoticed by the uneducated prospector. It is a significant fact, that many substances are imported into the state which exist in great abundance, yet are unknown except to a few mineralogists, who are not consulted. Any farmer may have on his land sources of great wealth unknown and unsuspected. A beetle cliff may prove to be some beautiful variety of marble or ornamental stone. The society has a large collection which is rapidly growing. The number of specimens on hand now is 1116, besides a large number of duplicates. The collection embraces minerals, rocks, ores and fossils. Some of them are very valuable, while all are interesting.

IT IS THE DESIRE OF THE SOCIETY

to publish a periodical, either weekly, monthly or quarterly, to spread the useful knowledge which the investigations of the members bring to light, in order to do this funds must be raised. The financial condition of the society is the best possible. Observing the strictest economy, it has made no debts, although it cannot be said that there are any funds on hand. It has been decided by the society, in order to raise this fund, to give all who are inclined to be liberal towards scientific pursuits, an opportunity. To gain this object, any one who will give five dollars will be made a life member, with all the privileges of the society, and to be free from dues and assessments. A great many in the interior of California and in Nevada have become members. A very neat certificate is issued which is an honor to any home, showing as it does, the liberal spirit of the head of the family.

Como Matters.

From Our Own Correspondent.

The mill at Palmyra will soon be completed. The Eureka mine has put building over the shaft. The Chief

tain mine has erected a snug hoisting

gallows over the two compartment

shaft, and by Wednesday will com-

mence crosscutting the ledge at 200

feet depth, with full force. The weather

was a little disagreeable last week

but the last two days have been splen-

diful. New locations are made every

day, but the trouble is, the most of

them are made on speculation, to keep

until spring when a general excite-

ment is expected. Yours truly,

Wm. Rose.

Como, Nov. 17.

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A CARSON MURDER TRIAL.

The Ax Fat Club Revived—Saloonkeeper's Poetry and Other Interesting Matters.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Carson has an epidemic, in fact several epidemics; and as it is impossible for the local physicians to diagnose the cases so as to come within ninety degrees of focus, of course there is only guess work. The young ones are in the throes of matrimony; the Indians in a state of war are breaking out in paint and feathers like an army of tramps just escaped from a Reno bar brigade; and the comfortable grubs who "fat at ease" over in the capitol and at the mint, have reorganized the Ax Fat club to be operated through the winter months.

"VAT THE DEVIL IS AN ALL PHAT," anyhow!" asked Muldoon as he met Pete Cavanaugh the other morning on the corner. "It isn't 'all fat,' said Pete; "it is a French name and means 'way up' or something of that kind."

"Oh thin!" Said the Muldoon, "may-be it's 'all faith' thay mane; be gob! I didn't think it cud be 'all phat' wid Catain Lyons in it, anyhow." You saw, of course, by our abstract and brief chroniclers' the Appeal and the Tribune, that an Indian was found yesterday at Treadway's Park with his

WINDPIPE UNSCREWED,

and a few mutilations which superinduced a trip to the happy hunting grounds. Captain Sam and Lieut. Lides took the matter in hand, summoned their relations, held a council of war, and declared that unless the authorities brought the murderer to justice the Indians would. An hour ago a procession of squaws and bucks, mixed with school children and flankered by a string of grocer and butcher wagons, came down street and made a halt at the city lock up into which an Indian was introduced who will probably feed on mutton bones till he is turned over to the tender mercies of Captain Sam and his band. An hour later

AN INDIAN COUNCIL

NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST.

A London physician lately advertised in the *Times* for a lady housekeeper, offering liberal terms, and received 1100 applications.

The widow of James Fisk, Jr., boards at South Deerfield, Mass., with a couple who formerly were her coachman and cook. This is not an economical motive, however, for she has a handsome competence.

Cyrus Seaver of Waterbury, Vt., was possessed by the idea that he must set fire to a building every Wednesday or die. He burned dwellings on three successive Wednesdays before he was detected.

The Ponca problem has been reduced by Big Snake, a noted chief, who has just been shot dead by a soldier for resisting arrest. The agent of the tribe is pleased at this partial solution of the Ponca difficulties.

Col. Williamson, a noted Texan lawyer, stood up in church and called on a young lady to come forward and marry him. The suddenness of the proposal threw her into a swoon. Williamson had become insane.

The Great Eastern steamship, which has been long laid up at Milford Haven, is about to be overhauled, provided with new machinery, and adapted to the conveyance of live cattle from Canada to the United States. She will be ready for operation next March.

The old trick of getting up a sham fight in the gallery of a theatre, and then throwing the stuffed figure of a man over the railing, was successfully played at Leadville. The excitement in the lower part of the house caused a panic, and an actress fainted on the stage.

Adam Hammond complains that the bedclothes in the Scottsburg (Ill.) penitentiary are rotten. He tore a sheet into strips and hanged himself; but the cloth broke and let him down. Then he tried a quilt with no better success, and was badly bruised by the fall.

Robert Goodpastor of Owingsville, Ky., was a sensitive bankrupt. Being accused of trickery, he said that he would keep alive just long enough to clear himself of suspicion and then kill himself. A trial at law vindicated him, and immediately after the verdict he swallowed a fatal dose of poison.

Many English and Americans are already at Monaco, near Nice, betting in the gambling hell of Monte Carlo, now the only establishment of the kind in Europe. A large Russo-German colony will be near by at San Remo, and the gambling season promises to be the heaviest and ghest for many years.

On the 10th ult. there was a general strike among the kid glove makers at Naples. They demanded an increase of wages, which the proprietors refused. At last the royal carabiniers were called in, a few of the ringleaders were imprisoned, others fined, and then work was resumed at the old wages.

The Spanish Ministry has been officially notified that four million dollars have been deposited by Francis Joseph in the Bank of Vienna as the dowry of Archduchess Christine, Alfonso's betrothed. The Duke of Montpensier, the young King's ex-father-in-law, is reported as being wild over the Austrian marriage.

"Hello, Bill, when did you change your boarding house?" said Charles Challenger to William Creamer, at New Vienna, Ohio, as they met in the street. Creamer had just been released from prison, and, regarding the question as insulting, he drew a big knife and stabbed the offender; but Challenger was quick enough with a revolver to save his own life and kill Creamer.

Begin Right With the Children.

At the Convention of Associations for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, held in Gotha, Germany, the characteristically German suggestion was made, and was adopted by the Convention as one of the resolutions, that it is better to make men humane, and thus desirous of their own accord of treating the brute creation kindly, than, having permitted them to become cruel, to endeavor to deter them from the infliction of cruelties by penal laws; and therefore, going to the root of things, that a general plan should be devised for instilling into children in all the schools of the country, at an early age, feelings of gentleness and humanity toward the lower animals, to which end the co-operation of teachers should be sought. Associations in eighty-four different cities were represented in the Convention.

An Ingenious Impostor.

A fellow who looks like Shakespeare, and calls himself the Rev. Col. Howak, Courtney, Bates, or whatever name suits his purpose at the time, has been personating missing relatives in Pennsylvania with considerable success. His method was to find a family that had a male relative whom they had not seen for years, then inform himself about their history, and introduce himself as that long absent person. The imposture always secured for him a few weeks' board, and usually he was able to get off with some borrowed money and jewelry. He said that he was an ordained clergyman, and frequently got an opportunity to preach. His last exploit was in Oil City, where he is now in jail.

THE LATEST FROM NEW YORK.

The Republicans Elect the Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Comptroller, Attorney General and Treasurer.

A New York telegram says the *Sur* has received the official returns from fifty of the sixty counties in the state. A close comparison between these and the unofficial returns from the other ten counties indicates that Hoskins, the Republican candidate for Lieutenant Governor, has defeated Clarkson N. Potter, Democrat, by about 1100 majority; that Carr, Republican candidate for Secretary of State, is elected by about the same majority; that Wadsworth, the Republican candidate for Controller, will have an increased majority over that of Hoskins, and that Ward and Wendell, Republicans, are also elected as Attorney General and Treasurer. The majority for Horace Seymour, Jr., Democratic candidate for Engineer and Surveyor, will be towards 10,000. John Kelly's vote is increased over previous estimates, and will reach 75,000.

The Question Put Direct to Grant.

From the Cincinnati Enquirer's interview with Gen. Granville E. Dodge.

"Now, General, will Grant accept the nomination for President?"

"I asked him that question direct in Paris. He said to me: 'General that is something not proper for me to speak about.' Therefore," said Gen. Dodge, "I can only give you my opinion. I think that the way the office of President is going to be tendered to Grant will put it out of his power to refuse it. I know, however, that it is not his desire to be President again. He is more desirous of rest and the enjoyment of a quiet independence than of any political responsibility. Our people cannot understand a man like Grant. They think his soul is filled with ambition. But that simplicity that is outside of him is inside too. He is perfectly aware that the Presidency is only going to bring him troubles which he has deserved. Yet I don't believe he can help himself."

Self-starting Street Cars.

A new invention has been tried with success in London in the utilization of the power generated in stopping street cars for the purpose of restarting them and thus save the extra exertion of the horses. The contrivance is a coiled spring, which is wound up by the stopping of the car, and which, when released, acts on the wheels so as to impart motion. It acts, too, as an assistance to horses upon a steep grade, the power having been acquired in a preceding down grade and kept stored in the spring until the energy is required.

Not His Toe But His Instep.

Pope XIII. speaks very little English, and converses generally in either French or Italian. He listens attentively to every introduction, makes a stately courtesy, and then offers his hand, on which gleams the pontifical ring. The visitor, who at the time is necessarily kneeling, gently takes the Pope's hand and carries the ring to his lips, the Pope gently sways his body back, disclosing his foot, and a kiss is likewise imprinted on his step, where a cross resplendently shines.

Slowly Roasted to Death.

James Nash went into his leg barn at Richmond, Va., with a lighted candle. He was drunk. A heavy bale of hay against which he stumbled, fell against the door, and the candle ignited it. The fire spread fast. Nash yelled for help, but his family could not get him out, though they could see him through the wide cracks between the logs. They threw water into the building but that only retarded the fire slightly. Nash worked desperately in his fiery prison trying to roll the bale away from the door, and to put out the flames by shoveling earth on them. He was driven into a corner and slowly roasted to death.

Not After 4 O'clock.

From the London World.

An angry beldame burst into a police court at Limerick, muttering incoherently and gesticulating violently. "What d'ye want, in the name of goodness?" asked the Magistrate. "Justice!" she shrieked. "Arrah, look at the ghour," petulantly answered his worship, who was getting hungry; "its 4 o'clock, I tell you, an' divil a bit more justice will anybody get from this binch to-day."

The residents of Mason Valley, says the *Sutro Independent*, are exerting themselves to establish a good-sized town on the site known as Pizen Switch. Already several new business houses have been erected, among them a commodious hall for the accommodation of societies and troupes. They claim that the town will have a population by next spring of at least 500 people, should the Virginia and Truckee Railroad Company extend their branch road to Bodie, through their valley the coming winter.

The north declivity of the Belcher has now reached a depth of thirteen feet below the 2,600 level, having been sunk twenty-five feet during the past week. A vertical depth of 3,000 feet will have been attained before December.

PACIFIC COAST ITEMS.

Hay is \$50 per ton in Bonanza City. Nine suicides in San Francisco last month.

Oregon iron works are supplying machinery for Alaska.

About 700 persons will winter in the vicinity of Bonanza.

Three new saloons opened in Bodie in one day last week.

Hay has run up to \$15 per ton in Salt Lake, with little in the market.

A tramp asked for a bed in Stockton, got it, and took it away with him.

Acorns are selling at Red Bluff at \$10 per ton. They are fed to hogs.

The archery ladies at San Jose are now shooting a round of matches for a \$50 watch.

Bodie people have subscribed \$120 to build a monument over the alleged bones of Bodie.

The supreme court of California recently admitted 43 applicants to practice at the bar of the state.

A Principal is wanted for the Truc-kee public schools at a salary of \$125, and an assistant teacher at a salary of \$65.

Farmer Treadway, of Carson, has returned home from San Francisco, and says: "Too many shiftless people there."

Over 65,000 ground squirrels have been killed in San Joaquin county, and the supervisors have paid \$765 for their scalps.

According to estimates of Professor Haydon, the geologist, Montana covers a coal field from 50,000 to 65,000 square miles in area.

Rumor has it that a plentiful deposit of black sand, containing platinum, has been discovered near Olympia, Washington territory.

The Eureka *Sentinel* says that the Eureka Consolidated produces more bullion annually than the entire State of Colorado.

At the Salmon Creek shingle mill on the Mendocino coast, 114,000 shingles were sawed and packed for market in one day.

It is proposed to seed a gigantic squash, which is now on exhibition in Santa Barbara, to the Smithfield cattle show at London, England, to be held next month.

Because of his false imprisonment at Salem, Oregon, for passing counterfeit money, Allan Brown tried to kill himself at Dry Creek, Washington Territory, last week.

A couple of Chinamen quarreled over a gambling game last Thursday night, in Bodie; when one pulled his gun and shot the other twice, killing him instantly.

The Southern Pacific Railroad Company design the immediate erection of a large and elegant hotel at Monterey, to be placed under the management of Major Hammond.

There are stretches of country in Arizona where for distances of fifty miles water cannot be procured for the use of travelers without paying prices ranging from \$2 to \$5 per barrel.

The Los Angeles *Journal* of Wednesday says: Sheep have advanced one hundred per cent in price in anticipation of abundance of feed, and we are informed that but few are now for sale.

Santa Fe, New Mexico, claims to be the oldest city in the United States and yet it never saw a hand organ until two weeks ago to-day. The monkey accompaniment got too much alkali and died on the road.

There is on the farm of Mr. Hohen-schell, not far from the city of Stockton, an apple tree that bears fruit continually. Portions of it are now in blossom, and fruit in various stages of growth hang to the twigs.

The good people of Steilacoom, Washington Territory, have made a standing offer to any party or parties who will come there and establish a factory of any sort, \$2,000 in cash and a valuable property besides.

An action for false imprisonment has been commenced against Sheriff Harris of Santa Clara by an Adventist preacher of Nevada City named Morton. Harris arrested Morton for bigamy and took him to San Jose, when he discovered he had the wrong man.

The Supreme Court Thursday began consideration of the great mining debris case. The arguments will consume two days, or more. The question debated Thursday was whether there is a misjoinder of parties defendant.

The present snowfall, says the *Truckee Republican*, renders the hunting of Arctic hares a favorite sport. Going out early in the morning, the hunter finds the hare's track in the new snow and has only to follow a little way before he comes up with the game. These animals are very large, and are nearly as white as snow. They are delicious food.

In a recent case of death from pneumonia in Bodie, after the examination of a number of witnesses the jury returned a verdict that deceased, Mark Parnell, a native of Tuolumne county, aged 38 years, died from pneumonia aggravated by gross neglect. It was recommended by the jury that the Supervisors be requested to inquire into the manner in which the County Hospital is managed.

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